

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-vocy Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0505

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Carol Nau

General Comment

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

These changes do not align with our desire for a safer society.

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-i44m Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0506

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kristin Kokal

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-i5y2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0507

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Linda Bronstein

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulation of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S.

Commerce Department. The rule change would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help

keep organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries

and causes mass migration. Firearms are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime,

political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-5sg8 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0508

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Matthew Tarpley

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-wwlr Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0509

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mary Sisson

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Do not allow this to happen!

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-3qwj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0510

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joe Pfister

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less.

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-fen2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0511

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: bruce miller

General Comment

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

[1] Trump move would make it easier for U.S. gun manufacturers to export firearms, The Washington Times, May 14, 2018.

[2] Trump wants to make foreign arms sales easier, The Boston Globe, June 23, 2018.

[3] Ibid., The Boston Globe

[4] American Guns Drive the Migrant Crisis That Trump Wants to Fix With a Wall, The Trace, May 25, 2017.

[5] The Trump administration proposes making gun exports easier. Heres how to submit your public comment on this dangerous proposal, Violence Policy Center.

[6] Ibid., Violence Policy Center.

[7] "U.S. requires group to remove 3-D gun instructions from its website," CNN.com, May 13, 2013.

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-c93v Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0512

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Dan Hubbard

General Comment

I am adamantly opposed to this change. Our gun culture is absurd.

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-10uh Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0513

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Diane Virzi

General Comment

Stop the exportation of weapons of mass distruction. We don't need to expand the carnage we love with here to other countries.

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-fs6e Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0514

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Steve Hoelke

General Comment

This is a BAD idea!

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-bbu3 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0515

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Betty Lo

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-kwyn Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0516

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lisa Atkinson

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lisa Atkinson

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0517

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lawrence Bojarski

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0518

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Marsha Balian

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. You can also copy and paste in other parts of this email, too, in order to make your case.

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0519

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jason Fish

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0520

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Valerie Dorrian

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0521

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joan Balfour

General Comment

A rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business) would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0522

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Diane Williams

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0523

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Elizabeth Kikuchi

General Comment

The NRA should be paying into the cost of making our schools safe instead of having the taxpayers foot this bill. I consider them directly responsible for this problem!!

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-1bcj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0524

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Scott Coahran

General Comment

With the unending series of wanton, violent acts that are committed, it seems, on at least a monthly basis, the last thing we need is something that will expedite the purchase and ownership of guns for the sake of commercial profit.

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-e1kh Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0525

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: megan e

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

No more violence!

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-409c Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0526

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: jody berman

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-451i Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0527

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Tatum Hammer

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-dwdb Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0528

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Cathy Wootan

General Comment

As a mother, grandmother and former social worker, I am appalled by our country's inability to get a handle on gun violence.

I'm tired of hearing that the problem isn't guns, it's mentally ill people. Every country in the world has its share of mentally

ill citizens -- and their proportions are pretty much the same in every society -- and yet the US is the only developed country

that has routine mass shootings. That tells me it's about the guns, so that's where we need to start.

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-hppd Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0529

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kyrie Collins

General Comment

I vehemently oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition. This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security. It can not be permitted!

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-6g84 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0530

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lois Johnson

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. Furthermore, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-o59o Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0531

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Steve Graff

General Comment

This control is still warranted. This is a gave away for weapon manufacturers.

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-g8dj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0532

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: David Morris

General Comment

Changing firearms regulation and classification as proposed in this rule would be the height of madness. It is a blatant attempt by the NRA and gun manufacturers to pull a runaround maneuver. Under no circumstances should firearms be reclassified. Their sale and export should remain the purvey of the US Government and Congress. Doing anything else would open a floodgate of arms shipments to all kinds of dangerous forces outside the US. Please, please do not consider even the possibility of changing the current ruling.

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-mhqr Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0533

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Pamela McIntyre

General Comment

I disagree with the proposed change. This would make our gun control issue worse and share the problem!

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-w547 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0534

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Beth Stout

General Comment

I oppose the rule change to switch firearms export regulations from the US State Department to the Commerce Department. This change would allow large weapons sales abroad without regard to national security or taking human rights violations into consideration. The Commerce Department is not adequately funded to manage this oversight and leaves the US without sufficient control over arms sales that could go to terrorists and organized crime syndicates. This is just a plain bad idea.

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-pztd Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0535

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Marsha Anonymous

General Comment

I wont paste a form letter, but I will say, do the right thing, say no to all changes right now, this is wrong, the NRA is wrong. Don't be like the NRA, be a PATRIOT, do the right thing.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-4s4w Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0536

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: L Hernandez

General Comment

This would be a very bad move. There are already too many automatic and semi-automatic weapons in the wrong hands.

Automatic weapons have no business in the hands of the general public in the United States, let alone around the world.

Only military and police personnel should have the automatic type weapons. Bump-stocks should be banned, period.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0537

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: KARIN WINSTON

General Comment

Exact opposite of what we should be doing. We already supply too many weapons to criminals and gangs in south and Central America- which is why the innocent civilians are at our doorstep in the first place. Now they want to make it easier to send more? The NRA isnt satisfied with 33000+ American deaths per year? Plus another 75,000 injuries?

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-37qq Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0538

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Marci Diamond

General Comment

I strongly oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Control of the export of firearms that could fall into the hands of those who would harm Americans is a national security issue.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-8eog Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0539

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Richard Sparkes

General Comment

I completely oppose any rule changes that would transfer the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. American firearm manufacturers cause enough bloodshed and violence here at home. There is no reason this mayhem should be easier to export to peaceful, civilized and non-violent nations. Thank you very much.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0540

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Suzanne Slattery

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-b52d Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0541

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: c. martinez

General Comment

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0542

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Marjean Doden

General Comment

Why spread our violence problems to the rest of the world? Keep this under the Department of State!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-36vo Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0543

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Edward Costello

General Comment

I oppose the regulation change that would shift gun export responsibility to the Commerce Dept. State Dept has handled it well in past. No need for change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-rsfn Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0544

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nancy Holbert

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-zn6o Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0545

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Roderic Krapf

General Comment

I am very much opposed to the new rule change that gives the Commerce Department control over the export of firearms. More weapons anywhere in the world have not caused bad situations to be better, but rather, to make them worse. Arms manufacturers are only interested in profits, not human lives or volatile political crises that could result in thousands of deaths.

The easy access to guns in America helps keep us number 1 in the world in citizens killed by guns. Other places in the world do not need the means to excel at such grisly numbers.

I trust the State Department to make better choices on export of firearms.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-uzci Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0546

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Barb Crumpacker

General Comment

Gun limits are important for the safety & peace of mind of citizens of the world.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0547

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Susan Heath

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. Our State Department is much better suited to deciding these matters and has been doing so for years. The world is dangerous enough without making this switch.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-visu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0548

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sarah Hearon

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-v8oh Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0549

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Patricia Abrahamsen

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Firearms should be considered as a controlled substance given the potential for them to be used to harm our allies or used against our national interests. Strict regulation is necessary to ensure that weapons do not end up in the wrong hands.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-m3gd Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0550

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Ann Rushton

General Comment

Permits for sales of arms overseas should be based on sound American policy putting safety of Americans and American interests first and above all. A permitting process based on what is most profitable to gun manufacturers must be firmly rejected. They are responsible for too many deaths already. We should not be arming those around the world who will do even more harm.

A transfer of this process from the Dept of State to the Dept of Commerce for the financial benefit of manufacturers of weapons is completely contrary to legitimate American policy and interests.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-utml Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0551

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Patricia Bonney

General Comment

The thought of allowing unlimited sales, including allowing 3D duplicating of any firearms, is unbelievably appalling and terrifying. The potential for destroying billions of lives in a short time period is beyond measure. Eventually all the destroyers will have only each other to destroy, and the world will be devoid of people.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0552

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Edith Simpson

General Comment

I am against moving regulation of exports of firearms to the Commerce Department.

With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-p2y1 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0553

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Cheryl Herrick

General Comment

I strongly oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The US should be finding ways to be a better neighbor and citizen in the world, not merely export violence in pursuit of profits.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-3i0n Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0554

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Helen & David Aminoff

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. Isn't what is going on in our country bad enough?!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0555

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Barbara Van Walsen

General Comment

We should not export military arms. With the government we have, these exports might be used to send us into a war.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0556

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Barbara Patchen

General Comment

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0557

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Bruce Wade

General Comment

Hello,

Speaking as a US Army veteran I think this is an extremely bad idea.

I'm concerned that this change from State to Commerce will export our American problem of gun violence to the rest of the world.

The easy access to deadly weapons is primary in the US and is core to our murder and suicide rates. The risk of a random person having a weapon is the justification by Law Enforcement's use of deadly force, even when the victim is cooperative.

The proposed change serves no one's interests except the weapons makers and their supporters.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0558

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Laurie Gates

General Comment

I oppose switching the regulation of firearms from the State Department to the Commerce Department. This action would make it easier for organized crime and terrorist organizations to purchase weapons and further fuel violence in oppressive regimes.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-rjot Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0559

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Julie Best

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0560

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Richard Bartkowicz

General Comment

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition. The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-w5tv Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0561

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Larry Norgaard

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

- 1.It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]
- 2.It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]
- 3.It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-uyq4 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0562

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Samuel Gerkin

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-zxg2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0563

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jennifer Valencia

General Comment

The State Department should handle firearm exports and licensing. It would be contrary to goals of the war against terror/ISIS to allow, for commerce's sake, the regulation of gun exports and licensure to be under the jurisdiction of the commerce dept.

This is common sense. Gun exports and licensure should stay under the purview of state, NOT commerce. -Jenn Valencia

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0564

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Linda Garcia

General Comment

I oppose this change of rules switching the authority from the State Department to the Commerce Department for regulating the export of firearms. This is extremely dangerous proposal and there has been no clear-cut rationale put forth for this change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-wj70 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0565

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Michael Kemper

General Comment

The Unites States has a gun problem. Anyone who doesn't think so has been in a dark room for most of her life. The United States has the highest percent of gun ownership, the highest number of guns, extremely high rates of murder and gun related crime compared with most of the world. The United States government must take measures to address this problem. Making it easier to obtain a gun is not an answer, it is an abdication of responsibility to its citizens.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0566

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: robert norton

General Comment

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-x24w Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0567

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: David Gross

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulation of firearms exports from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.
Thanks.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-iak8 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0568

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Craig Evans

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0569

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jennifer Lawson

General Comment

The United States must stand behind promoting peace at home and abroad. We must not switch the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department, facilitating firearms exports to oppressive regimes, removing safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. The United States must prioritize global stabilization and peace. Keep the regulation of firearm exports under the authority of the State Department and keep our country's security as a priority more important than short term profits. Thanks you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0570

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: RON FRITZ

General Comment

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0571

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Toniann Reading

General Comment

I adamantly oppose this proposed rule change!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-25d6 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0572

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kevin Patterson

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. I'm concerned that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-id1q Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0573

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Douglas Estes

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-fi5i Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0574

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Christopher Walker

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The rule change would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-3fmt Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0575

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

Seeing as terrorist groups and other organizations accused of serious human rights violations have been able to make excellent use of non-automatic and semi-automatic low-caliber weapons, those sorts of firearms should remain on the USML. I strongly oppose the proposed rule change

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-movu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0576

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kay Smith

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulation of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Sales of firearms to other countries should not be treated as a business matter.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-6w7s Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0577

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: JL Angell

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-xeka Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0578

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Tisa Anders

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. We need the State Department to continue with safety on this matter, not profits. In other words, let's continue to value and cherish people.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-pvw4 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0579

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Claudia Cumes

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This is the opposite of the type of common sense change we need to see.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-31x5 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0580

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Karen Berger

General Comment

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business). This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

HERES THE LOW DOWN: Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0581

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mary Lebert

General Comment

I am opposed to switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department as it would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-xzxs Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0582

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Faith Shafman

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. You can also copy and paste in other parts of this email, too, in order to make your case.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0583

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: M. A. Maier

General Comment

I strongly oppose this rule change that would move the regulation of firearms exports from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-tflx Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0584

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Barry Cheney

General Comment

I oppose the plan to change the licensing of weapon exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. The world is flooded with too many weapons which fuel wars and terrorism. Please dont change this.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-ej9t Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0585

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Eugene O'Neill

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0586

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Barbara Brown

General Comment

This is the most irresponsible action EVER to be taken by our Government. Let us show maturity for the sake of this world we live it. Almost Every day now there are mass killings and its only getting worse. Sit up and recognize the direction of this action. The NRA has enough money to be satisfied along with Donald Trump, our Dictator.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-98ul Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0587

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Leanne Yerby

General Comment

With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition. The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. That is why I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0588

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jennifer Godzeno

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0589

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Pat Bliss

General Comment

I am opposed to allowing American semi automatic weapons to be sold over seas. Allowing the NRA to sell weapons overseas is insane. The NRA will be arming the very people that are killing our own people. Have you lost your minds?

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-i93s Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0590

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Randye Bloom

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department

As a citizen who cares about the safety of our citizens as well as people all over the world I ask you to act in our behalf keep guns out of the hands of people who have no right to own them. Hero semi automatic weapons out of the hands of people who are not protecting our citizens. We have had massacres in our country. Do not allow this to continue. History will show what happened in our country. Do the right thing and protect all citizens everywhere. Stand up and be counted as one of the brave and good people.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-z24a Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0591

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sherry Schiebel

General Comment

I believe that guns in the wrong hands are the cause of the recent rash of mass murders. We must never allow unfettered access to weapons of any kind. But now that AR15 assault weapons, and bump stocks which allow the conversion of single round shot weapons into multiple shot weapons, we need to make restrictions on ownership stronger, not weaker.

Please think of all the children killed by those whose only form of expression is violence. Please think about all those families who have lost mothers and fathers. This was something that could have been prevented if there were waiting periods that would allow background checks to limit the purchase of guns to responsible individuals. But we also need to eliminate AR 15's and bump stocks from the market place.

If it were you child or parent who died, I believe you might have a different perspective.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-iuo7 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0592

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous anonymous

General Comment

I am writing to IMPLORE YOU to keep Americans as well as world citizens safe from the increase in violence and danger in our world if the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department goes through. It would facilitate firearms exports to unstable, oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PLEASE - Our families are depending on you to not give in to profiteering pressure! All of our lives are worth so much more than to turn our planet into a nightmare of ever-increasing violence - it is bad enough as it is.

PLEASE - if you have a moral, ethical, and spiritual aspect to your being (and I would hope you do), please help protect us from increasing the number of gun sales around the world.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0593

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Congress would have no knowledge of or control over large weapons sales to foreign countries. Commerce Department doesn't have the resources or the expertise to adequately enforce export controls.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-5ojg Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0594

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joyce Banzhaf

General Comment

Fire arms need to remain classed as military so they may be better regulated.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-478r Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0595

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Michael Lombardi

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-v4wz Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0596

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Maxwell Klare

General Comment

This change is unacceptable, there is no reason to export our serious gun problems to other countries for nothing more than greed. I am a gun owner who does not like or support the NRA in any way, I am responsible, I took hunters safety over 50 years ago and was taught you kill it you eat it. This philosophy seems to have been lost and replaced with paranoia, that everyone is out to harm you and the solution is to heavily arm you self. I don't want to live in that environment, there is no reason I, or anyone else should be subject to this greedy madness.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-2fvc Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0597

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jun Whang

General Comment

We strongly oppose this change since it creates a serious risk to our national security by facilitating the export and sale of dangerous firearms to foreign agents.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0598

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Gregry Loomis

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

Thank you for taking action to help make our country and our world a safer place.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-5txu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0599

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Cynthia Merkey

General Comment

Should the NRA have carte blanche to push its agenda overseas? Absolutely not. I don't imagine European and other foreign governments want our baggage.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-xhd0 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0600

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Allen Altman

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-qutp Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0601

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Laura Sanders

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-i3sz Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0602

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joyce Slavik

General Comment

I strongly oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business). This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-k7lg Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0603

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Ross & lori Bryant

General Comment

What are you idiots trying to do, send us back to the Stone age. It doesn't make any difference who has a gun. Like the saying goes 'guns don't kill people, people kill people's. Looking g at this saying it Dawn's on me that it doesn't sound right. I guess it doesn't matter does it?

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-evfb Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0604

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Perry Levin

Organization: Amalgamated Limousine

General Comment

There are more than enough guns circulating in the population. We do not need more guns; we need more restrictions.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-g4aj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0605

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Janiece Staton

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

The Commerce Department has inadequate staff to be monitoring the flow of firearms into and out of the USA. Thus, dangerous players on the domestic and foreign fronts would have far greater access to the destructive devices they seek. In addition, the shift would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, that has been in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

Furthermore, it would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. Finally, it would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. My Congress members must have direct knowledge and formal input regarding the flow of arms that leave USA soil. The security of my family, neighborhood, nation, and planet depend upon thoughtful, responsible, ethical oversight and monitoring of all weapons of war and extortion. I do not trust military-industrial complex corporations nor the Commerce Department to be effective or reliable in this regard.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-hhb2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0606

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

It seems amazing to me that a president who claims to be creating new immigration barriers under the guise of national security will allow an easier way for fire arms to be sold to foreign buyers. This seems like a move that would make our borders less secure and our nation less secure as well as those around the world than the many innocent families seeking asylum whom are turning away from our borders and imprisoning. This proposed rule is a bad decision for other reasons as well:

- It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]
- It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]
- It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-6gt2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0607

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: GEORGIA MORGAN

General Comment

I oppose this rule change. Switching the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department puts people all over the world at risk, for the benefit of a few gun manufacturers, because the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-3vg6 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0608

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jacqueline Birnbaum

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-vr23 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0609

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Rev. Allan B. Jones

General Comment

I strongly oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. It appears to be a poorly disguised effort to increase arms sales around the world, and lead to more unnecessary deaths and other suffering. Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-9fbt Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0610

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Priscilla Skerry

General Comment

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business).[1] This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

I am very concerned about this tactic by the NRA. It must be stopped...for the safety of our Nation and all of the world's citizens. I expect responsible action be taken to prevent the NRA from getting away with this. Thank you.

Priscilla Skerry
Portland, Maine 04102

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-1gm1 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0611

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Faith Parker

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This would seriously jeopardize national security as well as the security of other free democracies. It would be a decision in favor of big business interest rather than a decision in the interests of safety and security.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-nv9k Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0612

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sherry Monie

General Comment

The proposed rule to move the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would be a total disaster and is nothing but a give-away to the gun industry.

This proposal is a bad idea for many reasons, but most important among them are the following. The change would (1) facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, (2) remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and (3) further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-f697 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0613

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joseph Pettit

General Comment

I am equally ashamed and appalled that this rule has been proposed. I see no reason why this rule must be changed, but obviously the NRA sees it worthwhile to weaken any gun regulation that it can find. The NRA, however, cannot understand why this rule change will harm us far more than any terrorist plot will.

It will remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, you, the State Department, successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch will remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe. More worrisome is the fact that a savvy gunsmith or a monster of a human being could alter their plans or knowingly provide plans that would allow a firearm to be converted from semi-automatic only into a fully-automatic weapon. The notion that anybody, anywhere, at any time could print a weapon more fit for the military than for civilian usage is extremely troubling. This would allow common criminals to outgun police departments, security forces, and peacekeepers, and it would allow groups such as neo-Nazis, various "alt-right" organizations, and anti-government extremists to possess weaponry that could turn a standoff or a shooting into a literal bloodbath like the one at Mandalay Bay in 2017. For this reason alone, this rule cannot be changed, but there are other rules changes coming that should further drive home reason why this proposed rule cannot be allowed to take effect:

-It will remove licensing requirements for gun brokers, thereby increasing the risk of trafficking;

-The Commerce Department simply does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have the same amount of staff as the State Department's program, which means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents will face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition;

-This rule change will eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program--which has been in place since 1940, and which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly

reports on them, thereby providing transparency to what could easily become a corrupted and dangerous process;

-And finally, Congress will no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. The end result may well be that weapons made by American countries will be turned back upon us during terrorist attacks or military campaigns, and there will be Hell to pay back home if this news ever reaches our shores.

This proposed rule will arm the enemies of democracy, freedom, and peace in one fell swoop--all so that firearms manufacturers can give their CEOs and shareholders an extra bonus when pay day comes around.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0614

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Diana Petrauskas

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

This rule change would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

This rule change puts money in gun makers pockets and puts us all in more danger. Dont change the rule.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0615

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kathy Bernard

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

This rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place because:

- It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
- It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
- It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

For all of these reasons, please do not allow the switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. Thank you, Kathy Bernard

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0616

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Earl Grove

General Comment

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***Submit comments now to the State Department and the Commerce Department through the below links. You can write in something like: I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. You can also copy and paste in other parts of this email, too, in order to make your case.

HERES THE LOW DOWN: Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

Theres no time to waste - submit comments now to the State Department and the Commerce Department opposing this rule change!

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The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

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U.S. Department of Commerce: <https://action.momsrising.org/go/38290?t=12&akid=11004%2E2374855%2EE62M3s>

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Thank you for taking action to help make our country and our world a safer place.

-- Gloria, Kristin, Monifa, Dorie, and the entire MomsRising/Mams con Poder team

[1] Trump move would make it easier for U.S. gun manufacturers to export firearms, The Washington Times, May 14, 2018.

[2] Trump wants to make foreign arms sales easier, The Boston Globe, June 23, 2018.

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PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-ojl6 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0617

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Carol Devoss

General Comment

I oppose changing the rules for regulating fire arms export from the State Department to the Commerce Department for the following reasons:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]
It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]
It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-ld7h Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0618

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

The NRA and gun manufactures are ugly examples of corporate greed at its worst. Arm more people that should not have access to firearms and make the world an even more dangerous place. Sounds very smart. (Sarcasm)

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-ft44 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0619

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jamilah Elder

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

- It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
- It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
- It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

Thank you,
Jamilah Elder

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-91ju Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0620

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Michael Beeston

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-8fv2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0621

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Cathy balan

General Comment

I am so against this, it is a dangerous, unnecessary move guidng by greed. THIS SHOULD NOT HAPPEN

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-thg0 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0622

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I strongly oppose the change of rules governing who may make international arms sales in the U.S. Arms should not be considered just another item in the overall commerce of the nation. Lives are at stake and the risks associated with arms sales should be managed with the nation's safety in mind, not the profit of those who would exploit this potential option for personal gain.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-8006 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0623

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kathryn Kram

General Comment

I oppose the transfer of regulations that control the sale of firearms from the Department of State to the Department of Commerce. This is not in keeping with national security and might allow arm sales to regimes that are dangerous.

Please stop this transfer!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-7i5k Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0624

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lynn Frederiksen

General Comment

I completely OPPOSE the effort to move the regulation of arms sales from the state department to the department of commerce.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-urjp Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0625

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Brigid Murphy

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-idom Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0626

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Bruce Adolphe

General Comment

If this change goes through, extremely dangerous military-grade automatic weapons could be easily sold to terrorists, US enemies, and just about anybody with money. This is a recipe for uncontrolled, undeclared war, horrible violent crimes, and disaster. This would remove licensing requirements and open the floodgates for unheard of violence. We have a chance to halt this dangerous move. Stop them now,

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-nsud Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0627

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose gun sales being switched to the commerce department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-3k4s Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0628

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Rev. Alison Hyder

General Comment

I am horrified by the proposal to change the oversight of US arms sales. I believe that this department is the best agency to monitor the destination of all dangerous arms. Please do not allow the U.S. Commerce Department to manage something this crucial to national security.

Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-s2m9 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0629

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Angela Gantos

General Comment

I oppose this rule change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-23xk Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0630

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Eileen Battles

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-x430 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0631

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Pat Blair

General Comment

Your support for weapons of war in the hands of private citizens and the NRA is unconscionable and egregious!!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-7dmc Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0632

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: tia pearson

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

This makes it so much easier for home-grown terrorists to work with foreign countries without any oversight. The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-h40g Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0633

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Robert Hunyady

General Comment

I am against this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-kjy8 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0634

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Martha Thomae

General Comment

To take the sale and foreign distribution of highly lethal firearms out of the regulation and oversight of the State Department and place it under the capitalistic Commerce Department which has neither the staff, nor the experience, nor the will to exercise any control over the amounts and kinds of person killing machines that are allowed to be sold to foreign countries is potentially very dangerous to the safety and welfare of our citizens, home and abroad. We could easily be arming those who wish to destroy our nation and would use these against our citizens when they are in other countries.

Firearms are dangerous enough they should have to undergo serious inspection and regulation whenever they are sold. The greed of a few should not be allowed to jeopardize the safety of many. That is not the way a successful and developing nation handles commercial activities. It is irresponsible.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-frdk Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0635

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mark Cederholm

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-5ru9 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0636

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nikki Sachs

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security. I am against this change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-zacj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0637

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kacie Shelton

General Comment

Please do not switch firearms regulation from the State Department to the Commerce Department. The Commerce Department does not have the funding to investigate thoroughly.

There is no need to eliminate working programs, such as the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Ultimately, switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration -- in turn overwhelming other US programs and organizations. This is a self-defeating proposal; please reject it.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-z9lp Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0638

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Alice Pfister

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. I respectfully request that you do not allow this change to take place. Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-8911 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0639

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Judith Heinle

General Comment

I am opposed to the NRA or gun industry selling automatic weapons to foreign governments or individuals of foreign nations. This is not in our best interest as far as the security of our citizens.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-uf85 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0640

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Diane DiFante

General Comment

Arms sales should stay under the department of state for national security reasons. State understands who our friends and enemies are and how gun sales could be turned against us.t

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-in07 Comments Due: July 09, 2018
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Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0641

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joseph Homstad

General Comment

Do not shift these actions to the U.S. Commerce Department. This would be dangerous. This is the responsibility of the U.S. State Department and should remain so.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-qqs Comments Due: July 09, 2018
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Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0642

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nataliya Gurshman

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-dnm1 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0643

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Morgan Clark

General Comment

I object to this proposal and demand that weapons exports continue to be treated as military armaments. The proposal would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them, would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking, and would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. I demand this proposal be rejected.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-r1rb Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0644

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Barbara White

General Comment

Please do not move regulation of arms exportation from the State Department to the Commerce Department. It would increase trafficking, make our nation and others less safe, and make us more vulnerable to terrorism

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-7klv Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0645

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Louis Brendan Curran

General Comment

Oppose this very strongly - firearms are not t-shirts or soybeans - sales require much much more political regulation and oversight than Commerce would give them - block this NRA end-run immediately!!!!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-e5ie Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0646

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-py2b Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0647

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kerry Driscoll

General Comment

Do not transfer oversight of weapons exports to the commerce department. It is not commerce, it is war materiel.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-uuv7 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0648

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Wayne & Roberta Wunderlin

General Comment

I OPPOSE THIS RULE CHANGE THAT WOULD SWITCH THE REGULATIONS OF FIREARMS EXPORT FROM THE U S STATE DEPT. TO THE U S COMMERCE DEPT. THIS WOULD BE MUCH MORE DANGEROUS FOR PEOPLE EVERYWHERE !!!!!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-kges Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0649

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Tom S

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. It does not make for a safer world, but simply lines the pockets of gun makers.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-5azs Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0650

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: nick burns

General Comment

I do not support the rule change to switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

This is bad policy, which would increase gun trafficking, and eliminate appropriate Congressional oversight

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-l09m Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0651

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Margaret Dunn

General Comment

switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-i5nd Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0652

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Charles Wright

General Comment

If you play Twisted Metal 4 and you want weapons & freeze (99 of everything, including lightning) the first cheat you must enter at the password box is: Down, Start, R1, Up & start

second cheat is: O < ^ R1 and O

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-8olr Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0653

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: john north

General Comment

I absolutely oppose any rule change that switches the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-o0qb Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0654

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Glenn Williams

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. My main concern is that if weapons are no longer classified as "military" under the Commerce Department, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Also, the Commerce Department does not have the resources to adequately control export laws.

I urge you not to allow this rule change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-1g5j Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0655

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Elapully Ganapathy

General Comment

Please do not allow control of fire arm sales from State Department to Commerce department. Such a change would have detrimental effects as below.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-n6gx Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0656

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-khmt Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0657

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jessica Rettig

General Comment

I am writing to strongly object to the proposed changes in the United States' proposed rule on International Traffic in Arms Regulations.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why firearm exports are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.

If the regulation of firearm exports is changed to regulation by the Department of Commerce, then firearms will spread across the world and firearms will find their way back into the United States, where they can be used against innocent children. In fact, if the Department of Commerce is in control of firearms exports, then Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns.

Please do not shift control of firearms exports to the Department of Commerce. Such a move will generate bloodshed across the globe and here at home in America. We must avoid such a future and prevent more gun and firearm violence.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-mg1w Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0658

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Karen Jacques

General Comment

I am totally opposed to the proposed rule change the would transfer the export of guns from the State Dept. to the Dept. of Commerce. Currently Congress has the ability to block the sale of large batches of guns to foreign countries. If foreign gun sales end up under the Dept.. of Commerce, Congress won't even know about them. The U.S. already exports far too many weapons which often seem to end up in the hands of terrorists and criminals. The last thing the world needs is for the U.S. to export still more guns to still more terrorists an criminals. This proposed change is just another giveaway to gun manufacturers who don't care about anything except profits. It is utterly irresponsible and will result in countless unnecessary deaths. I am appalled that the federal government is even considering this,

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0659

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Thomas Keys

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
2. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
3. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer,

anywhere, to
produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of
firearms in the U.S.
and around the globe.

Again, as a citizen of the United States, I oppose this rule change that takes regulatory control from U.S.
State Department
and transfers that control to the U.S. Commerce Department

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Keys

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-5srq Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0660

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Elizabeth Claman

General Comment

I strongly oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department for a number of reasons. One, it would reduce needed oversight of gun sales and open the way for more bad actors (such as immoral dictators, terrorists, mob bosses, violent criminals, the insane, etc.) to easily access large numbers of weapons that could be used against innocent people. Two, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Three, frankly, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls on weapons or much else. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff in all the places where it would be needed, which means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer barriers to obtaining large supplies of American guns and ammunition. Finally, it would clearly make things a lot scarier for people all over the world!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-ggjn Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0661

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Teresa Nicola

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

Thank you for taking action to help make our country and our world a safer place.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-3il2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0662

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Maryann Smith

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. . The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. The Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition. The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place: It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe. Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-sxqd Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0663

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Susan Dunham

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

- It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
- It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
- It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-eja7 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0664

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jennifer Haefeli

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms exports from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Among other things, this rule change would:

- * eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
- * remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
- * remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-b1sd Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0665

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: David Kornreich

General Comment

***Submit comments now to the State Department and the Commerce Department through the below links. You can write in something like: I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-5ucu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0666

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Debra Krajec

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-3ffe Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0667

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Carmen Nichols

General Comment

Details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

- 1.It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
- 2.It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
- 3.It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

This in no way helps with gun violence. When are we going to work on that? When will the lives of people be more important than the sales of weapons?

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-polg Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0668

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: walter garvin

General Comment

Stop the NRA madness and unfettered access to weapons. Stop the slaughter of children in schools. Stop the slaughter of people in the cinema's. Stop the slaughter of people at shopping malls. Stop it here in the US. Don't allow the NRA to weaponize the world. Enough already.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-7mq3 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0669

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: James Vander Poel

General Comment

Every day brings news of another misstep by this administration. This action will not help any situation, except for the thickness of the wallets of arms producers.

The United States has had a reputation for making war without any sense. I know that to be true: I spent time in Viet Nam in the USMC in the late 1960s.

I worry that my grandchildren will not be able to travel freely in the world, as there will be so much more hatred directed towards Americans by all the peoples we have wronged.

Taking the control of arms exports away from the Department of State and the Congress is an egregiously bad decision.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-frjg Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0670

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Rob Jackson

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

When does the madness stop?

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-mbqd Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0671

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: John Wiles

General Comment

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-lds7 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0672

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Deb Stringham

General Comment

I am very strongly opposed to moving oversight of international gun sales from the State department to the Commerce department. The gun industry should NOT profit at the expense of our national security!!!!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-xztx Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0673

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Hope Mays

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. We can't keep people from other countries from coming here and send guns to the countries from which they are seeking refuge.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-5ogf Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0674

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kathy Higgins

General Comment

I oppose the proposed changes in the U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III for the following reasons;

1. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.
2. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
3. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
4. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Do not change the regulations.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-yseu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0675

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: C. Flannery

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. It is VERY important that the state department be fully aware of the sale of large quantities of firearms. There should also be a limit on how many firearms are sold each year. The world needs less guns not more!!! The guns that are made should only be in the hands of people with extensive training.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-g0su Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0676

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Edward Laurson

General Comment

Encourage gun safety law and strong gun control laws.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-pfq8 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0677

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Julie Blum

General Comment

I oppose the rule change. Firearms exports should continue to be classified as military.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-u8uu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0678

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: EVE ILSSEN

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

So I ask: ARE YOU OUT OF YOUR MINDS?

JUST SAY NO.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-628c Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0679

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Ken Box

Organization: Austin Community College

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-s08y Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0680

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: karen toscos

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This is a ridiculous change. You are supposed to safeguard the nation against gun violence, instead you are supporting it in a backhanded way.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-2jz5 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0681

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I am writing to express my opposition of switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. This change would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. I believe we currently have too few regulations over firearms in our country and in our international relations, and do not feel like this is the correct direction to take our arms regulation.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-t064 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0682

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Alix Keast

General Comment

I oppose this rule change, moving international gun sales oversight from the State Department to the Chamber of Commerce, who will promote more gun sales to individuals overseas, including machine gun style guns- which are not appropriate for US non-military or any other non-military population to own. This is not a good idea for anyone except gun sales corporations. Please do not pass this dangerous legislation.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-b84z Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0683

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Cause Haun

Organization: MomsRising

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. It would mean that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-weeps Comments Due: July 09, 2018
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Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0684

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Richard Booth

General Comment

Please keep approval of firearm exports in the State Department. Don't approve this rule change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-gxbg Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0685

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Donald Walsh

Organization: individual

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-25i7 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0686

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joan Hemm

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulation of firearms export from the US State Department to the US Commerce Department. We need FEWER guns in our nation and around the world, NOT more!!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-t1cx Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0687

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sandi Cornez

General Comment

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7].

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-3x25 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0688

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Daphne Wong

General Comment

switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-40k6 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0689

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: BHASKAR DASGUPTA

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place in at least the following manner:

- a. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
- b. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
- c. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-r0k9 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0690

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Victoria Meguid

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

Congress should know when large amounts of firearms are being sold to other countries. guns go to Mexico illegally and look what has happened there- thousands of deaths in the last year with American guns.

Just like many of the other changes in this country in the last 18 months this is dangerous this is not what we should be doing to keep a peaceful world. it is just lining the pockets of the gun makers.

Be responsible.

Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-v0nb Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0691

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Margaret Silvers

General Comment

I strongly oppose the change in regulation that would mean Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-ub16 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0692

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: George Cleveland

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
2. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
3. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-db9g Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0693

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Wendy Wright

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-ph6a Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0694

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: David M. Dunn

General Comment

I do not care what lies are being shoveled at you by #45, the N.R.A., or the republicans.

The proposed change to allow an agency devoted to commerce to do this is reprehensible, wrong, and in the long run foolishness that will hurt our country.

Don't do this!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-z14t Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0695

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nancy Keith

General Comment

I oppose this rule change. It would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State dept. to the Commerce dept. T

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-c9vx Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0696

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Brooke Berman

General Comment

I am horrified to learn that the government is thinking of switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. This would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. It is not in our best interest as Americans; we already have a massive gun problem, let's please not turn that into a free market issue but instead keep our focus on public safety.

As the mother of a seven year old child, I find myself having to explain guns and gun violence constantly because EVERYWHERE WE TURN there is some slick ad featuring a character with guns. Guns are not "Business as Usual" commerce; they should be handled like a controlled substance.

Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-4fyf Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0697

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Barbara Harper

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-rua9 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0698

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sheilagh Creighton

General Comment

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

1] It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre- license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

2] It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

3] It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-l062 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0699

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: CURTISS DURAND, MD

General Comment

MOST GUNS ARE MEANT TO HARM PEOPLE. INJURE AND KILL THEM. THIS IS WRONG. JESUS WAS THE WORLDS GREATEST PACIFIST. THIS TRUTH HAS UNIVERSALLY BEEN NEGLECTED AND EVEN DENIED.

GUNS AND BOMBS SHOULD BE OUTLAWED NOT MADE EASIER TO DISPLAY AND DISTRIBUTE AROUND THE GLOBE.

IKE KNEW THIS AND WARNED THE WORLD ABOUT THIS DANGER WHILE HE WAS STILL PRESIDENT.

OUTLAW GUNS AND BOMBS. STOP THEIR DISTRIBUTION.

CURTISS DURAND, MD

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-7ymu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0700

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

The State Department should by all means retain the authority to handle export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms. The transfer of that authority to the Commerce Department would kill a program that carries out post-shipment & pre-license inspections, eliminate licensing requirements that hamper trafficking, and open the way for anyone to make 3d printed weapons. Also, the State Department alone can give notice to Congress to block weapons sales that could jeopardize our security. For all these reasons, the proposed transfer should be abandoned, as it would make us considerably less safe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-txn9 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0701

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Beth Huizenga

General Comment

Oversight of firearms should not be switched to the Department of Commerce from the State Department. This would mean a lack of safety for the American people in the case of a national emergency as the Commerce Department does not have the ability to stop the delivery of arms to those who should not have them, nor the finances to do so.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-trn Comments Due: July 09, 2018
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Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0702

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Steven Van Grouw

General Comment

I am vehemently opposed to changing control of international sale of arms from the State Department to the Commerce Department because switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-stp6 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0703

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Tim Miller

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-xcia Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0704

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Donna Pope

General Comment

I object to this change based on the fact that the Commerce Department does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls & the Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations & other violent and dangerous agents would face fewer obstacles to obtaining large supplies of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-ts62 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0705

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Isaiah Plovnick

General Comment

I vehemently oppose this irresponsible, unethical, and frankly amoral rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-asmg Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0706

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joyce Dixon

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-ski4 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0707

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mari Mennel-Bell

General Comment

I very much oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department!

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-ukwd Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0708

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jeremy Becker

General Comment

Absolutely not. The oversight for the sale of firearms and other weapons of destruction must not be shifted to an administrative organization setup to promote said sales. I do not approve.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-sdbe Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0709

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nancy Shane

General Comment

The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-aqby Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0710

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Deb Stringham

General Comment

I am very strongly opposed to moving oversight of international firearms sales from the State Department to the Commerce department. To do so would seriously weaken our national security and that of the world in general. Among other things, it would be a terrible idea to no longer have the State Department's ban on making weapons via 3D printing. State Department, please do your job and protect us.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0711

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

Do NOT change the rules.

Keep the authority with the U.S. State Department

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0712

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Christopher Weston

General Comment

Do not change this rule. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0713

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Karen Davis

General Comment

America has the highest number of guns--and gun deaths--of ANY developed country in the world. Mass shootings are becoming commonplace, to the horror and embarrassment of every logically thinking, peace-loving citizen. WHY in the world would we want to export our PROBLEM to the rest of the world? NO--the NRA. . . and American gun manufacturers . . . should NOT have the ability to architect the demise of our fellow human beings. NO LEGALIZED GUN TRAFFICKING!!!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0714

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Virginia Jastromb

General Comment

Do not change arms enforcement from the State Department to the Commerce Department. The Commerce Department does not have the means to prohibit sales to countries that should not have American weapons.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0715

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joan Glasser

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0716

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nina Diamante

General Comment

Make all guns sales in U.S.A. illegal, huge fines for selling or buying guns with huge jail sentences for manufacturing, selling or buying guns. Also illegal to buy or sell ammunition. We have had enough children & people killed or maimed in this country and in schools.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0717

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sandra and Bruce Seaton

General Comment

I am strongly opposed to gun sale regulations being transferred to the department of commerce.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0718

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anna Feldman

General Comment

To Whom it may concern:

There is a push to transfer control of firearms to the Department of Commerce which does not have the resources to oversee the transfer of these weapons particularly if they are allowed to be sold in other countries. Our country's security would be at risk once these weapons leave our boundaries. Below are several other very important reasons why this transfer should not happen.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]
It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]
It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0719

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Terrence Verigan

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. I oppose the proposed changes in the U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III for the following reasons;

1. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.
2. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
3. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
4. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Do not change the regulations.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-kwuf Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0720

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joe Buhowsky

General Comment

All firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-37tk Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0721

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Stefanie Angsioco

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-stx2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0722

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: M Timmins

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0723

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sara Thompson

General Comment

I oppose the proposed change of oversight for export sales of military weapons from the US Senate to the Commerce Department.

I believe the Senate is the proper regulator for this important responsibility. Oversight of military weapons is first and foremost about security and human lives, not about a commodity.

Thank you,
Sincerely
Sara Thompson

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0724

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jack Stansfield

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0725

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Elise Margulis

General Comment

It's a very bad idea to eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[]

Removing licensing requirements for brokers will increase the risk of trafficking.

Removing the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearm is a terrible plan. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Sincerely,
Elise Margulis

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0726

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Raymond Zahra

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0727

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

We do not need more guns ANYWHERE in the world. The State Department is more likely to look out for our national interest than is the Commerce Department. Gun dissemination should not be seen as a money-making enterprise. The State Department should retain whatever control it has.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0728

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Debra Cunningham

General Comment

I oppose the rule change to allow semi-automatic weapons to be licensed through the department of commerce instead of the state department. The US is already the leader in gun violence and the last thing we need to do is export our problem.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0729

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Chip Sharpe

General Comment

I am aware that the State Departments Blue Lantern program provides critical controls over arms exports. We cannot allow less regulated sales of weapons to further tarnish the world's view of our nation as a rogue state willing to inflict destruction wherever a market for murderous firearms can be found. Commerce Department does not have the resources to govern international arms sales. Please do not allow current regulations to be weakened.

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0730

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Gina Bates

General Comment

I OPPOSE the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Guns are already out of control. We do NOT need any more.

LEAVE THE RULE IN PLACE, UNCHANGED!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0731

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Robert Haslag

General Comment

Sir,

I would like to address the proposed rule change on which department should control gun sales. Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

Considering the national security interest AND the inability of Commerce to actually handle the job, I propose that doing this would be clearly the wrong thing to do.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0732

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Michele Voigt

General Comment

I am in opposition to the Department of State proposal to amend the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) to revise Categories I (firearms, close assault weapons and combat shotguns), II (guns and armament) and III (ammunition and ordnance) of the U.S. Munitions List (USML) to describe more precisely the articles warranting export and temporary import control on the USML. Items removed from the USML would become subject to the Export Administration Regulations (EAR).

I strongly oppose the changing the International Traffic in Arms Regulations!!!! I believe it is a national security risk to change the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business). This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

Firearms exports must remain classified as military and under the regulation of the State Department, so that Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. Congress must remain automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop for national security, and to prevent assault weapons being sold to countries where there are serious human rights concerns!

The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

I believe that the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0733

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Zareen Kapadia

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0734

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Donald Harland

Organization: Self

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

In addition this rule change would have these dangerous, and reckless impacts on firearm exports.

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
2. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
3. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

It is vital to the safety of our nation and the world that this rule change is not approved.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0735

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Don Gentz

General Comment

I wish to express my opposition to the rule change that would allow the Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business) --not the State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) -- to handle export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms. The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. The marketing of these weapons to firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would create many long-term and intractable problems in international relations and imperil lives everywhere. The safety and security of our nation and the marketing of large caches of American guns and ammunition are incompatible. Please do not take part in making the world a more dangerous and violent place.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0736

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Norman West

General Comment

The last thing we need are more guns here or anywhere. We are already drowning in too many guns; most supplied by us, in Yemen and Syria and the USA and everywhere. Now the NRA wants less control, less regulation, more murder and more mayhem.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0737

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: William White

Organization: Retired

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. There should be extremely tight rules concerning any export of guns or weaponry in world increasingly plagued with violence. Please assure such a deadly factor for civilization be treated with the urgency it deserves. Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0738

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Louise Kaufman

General Comment

I strongly oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

This change would mean that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-cxla Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0739

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: James McConkey

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-nvas Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0740

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Reetta Raag

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-bd9f Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0741

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Robert Haslag

General Comment

Sir,

I would like to address the proposed rule change on which department should control gun sales. Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

Considering the national security interest AND the inability of Commerce to actually handle the job, I propose that doing this would be clearly the wrong thing to do.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-nbvg Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0742

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-yk5k Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0743

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Marianne Hunter

General Comment

My family and I have just learned the the NRA is lobbying to move regulations of sales from US gun manufacturers from this Department to that of Commerce Dept. This UTTERLY UNACCEPTABLE!

No other nation in the world has a civilian population that is armed as ours is here. Who are the customers for these weapons? Terrorists, paramilitary groups and criminals. Will US weapons be used to kill our own military personnel? To kill our allies and friends? To kill vulnerable population groups? To kill American tourists? Without a doubt!

Putting regulation of weapons sales in the hands of Commerce is a complete renunciation of every effort to control the flow of weapons that can and will be used against Americans (and other humans)! This is such insanity, it crossed the line to treason, as it aids and abets the enemies of the United States of America.

You must use everything in your power to stop this descent into chaos.
Sincerely, Marianne Hunter and family

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-mb4k Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0744

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Margaret A Go

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-1r9p Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0745

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Shoshana Serxner-Merchant

General Comment

The last thing the world needs is more military style weapons available to more people. These regulations should not be transferred to the Department of Commerce, which is only interested in more sales, regardless of what the results are. The US has enough troubles with the influence of the NRA, where automatic assault rifles are readily available, resulting in mass shootings. Do we really want to export that to the rest of the world and to any terrorist organization out there?

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-j2tu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0746

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: maxine sheets-johnstone

General Comment

STOP THE PROLIFERATION OF GUNS AND ASSAULT WEAPONS AND THE
AUGMENTATION

OF THE GUN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES!!!

STOP SUPPORTING THE NRA!!!!

DO NOT SHIFT EXPORT POLICY CONCERNING GUNS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE
TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE!!!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-5hg3 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0747

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Judith Fletcher

General Comment

I write to strongly urge you not to move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department, which is focused on safeguarding our nation, to the U.S. Commerce Department, which is focused on promoting American business. This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

Keeping firearms exports classified as military allows Congress to monitor and block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. I am deeply concerned that with the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

In addition, I don't believe that the Commerce Department has the resources to adequately enforce export controls.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Specifically,

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

The proposed rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place. Please do not put the financial interests of firearms sellers ahead of the safety and well-being of citizens everywhere.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-19t6 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0748

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nancy Linder

General Comment

Moving the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State

Department to the U.S. Commerce Department is dangerous, reckless, ludicrous, and absolutely irresponsible. This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns and terrorist threats. The U.S.

Commerce Department is for businesses and not capable to manage firearms, and therefore, there would be firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition. The State Department is for national security and firearms are a national security issue. Do not move the handling of export licenses for weapons out of the State Department!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-gf6r Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0749

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Robin Hall

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms exports from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This could cause terrible consequences not only to our country but to the entire world.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-mgpw Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0750

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Vickie Obermeyer

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018
Tracking No. 1k2-942p-e7m4
Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0751

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Chuck Graver

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-h25u Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0752

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Steven Iszauk

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-jf2o Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0753

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Todd Heiler

General Comment

This action is not advised. It will threaten national security by making it easier for terrorists and other enemies to have access to these weapons and to turn those weapons on Americans. The NRA and gun manufacturers have a right to make money, but not if that right endangers national security. Second amendment rights do not trump the right to life and security. National security and personal safety should not be sacrificed for the sake of greed. I speak as a military veteran and as someone who has served in law enforcement and private security. I also hold a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice. thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-cv5w Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0754

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kata Orndorff

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The Commerce Department is not set up to evaluate if a particular sale could be dangerous to our country. Please do not make this rule change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-zml5 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0755

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Eric Meece

General Comment

The NRA wants gun companies to be able to sell more semi-automatic weapons to foreign countries. So they want less effective regulation. Please stop this change. It endangers many lives and our national security. We don't want terrorists to get easier access to these weapons.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018
Tracking No. 1k2-942p-c44w
Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0756

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sara Shutkin

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

- It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]
- It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]
- It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Tracking No. 1k2-942p-5nm8
Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0757

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Shelley Kilbon

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

- * It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
- * It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
- * It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018
Tracking No. 1k2-942p-b2mz
Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0758

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jamison Haase

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0759

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: mary sherman

General Comment

I strongly oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This is jsut looking for more violence abroad and toward our citizens as welll as the peoples of this world. Seriously, how can you even consider this? I am strongly against it.

Mary Sherman

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-1ock Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0760

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Catherine Lambeau

General Comment

It is the proliferation of guns including assault weapons that is creating so many mass shootings in this country!!! Any move to make weapons more easily available be passing oversight to the commerce department would just increase the problem!!!!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942p-84c3 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0761

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Karri Schlegel

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

This absolutely does NOT make our country safer! It only benefits the firearm manufacturers and sellers. This is not a reasonable or smart change in regulations.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-e2ey Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0762

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Charles La Rosa

General Comment

I am opposed to changing the purview of firearms export from the Department of State to the Department of Commerce. It appears that primary purpose of the change, as promoted by the NRA, is to loosen the restriction on the export of firearms including military-style semi-automatic weapons.

One of the primary reasons that individuals and families from Central American countries seek to gain asylum in the U.S. or to enter illegally is for personal safety and to escape the high levels of crime and violence in their countries of origin. A large percentage of the weapons used illegally in these countries are sourced in the U.S. They are smuggled into these countries from the U.S. through the efforts of unlawful and unscrupulous gun dealers and criminals.

So, as we attempt to stem the flow of asylum seekers and migrants, both legal and illegal, from these countries, we are at the same time contributing to the conditions that spur them to leave their homes.

I do not see how the transfer of oversight from State to Commerce will improve the current situation, which is what we should be doing, and not making a bad situation even worse.

Such a transfer would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

I strongly urge you not to make this change and thereby make it easier for gun to move out of the U.S. into the hands of criminals and criminal gangs in Central America and other countries.

Please see references below.

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[4] American Guns Drive the Migrant Crisis That Trump Wants to Fix With a Wall, The Trace, May 25, 2017.

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PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-xu26 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0763

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: mary sherman

General Comment

I strongly oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This is jsut looking for more violence abroad and toward our citizens as welll as the peoples of this world. Seriously, how can you even consider this?

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-pax7 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0764

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sheila Kojm

General Comment

The State Department should continue to regulate the sale of arms outside of the US. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

My additional concerns are that this switch would:

- * eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
- * remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
- * remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

The State Department should please continue to do its job of regulating arms sales to keep America safe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-uv1e Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0765

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Debra Kaplan

General Comment

No new permissions to allow international traffic in Arms regulations: US Munitions List Categories I, II,, and III. This is dangerous to public safety.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-o6ps Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0766

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

t switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-sslw Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0767

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: PATRICIA SYKES

General Comment

I vehemently oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This change would enrich gun manufactures at the expense of innocent people across the world.

There is already so much violence in the world, so many repressive governments, terrorists groups, drug cartels, organized crime and the like that use guns to kill, maim, and terrorize. Why would we want to make it easier for the bad guys to get weapons while simultaneously reducing oversight and tracking?

Who benefits from this change? Why is this change needed? What is the rationale behind this change?

The State Department is responsible for safe-guarding our nation; their goal should be to restrict access to military-grade weapons. On the other hand, the Commerce Department is responsible for promoting American businesses; their goal would be to promote American weapons.

What happens when military-grade weapons end up in the hands of rebels who then stage a coup in a foreign country? If we allow that to happen, we are responsible for the fallout.

There are currently more refugees world-wide than at any other time since the aftermath of WWII. Making it easier to obtain military grade weapons will result in more violence, more bloodshed, more human rights violations, more political violence, and more refugees.

Congress should be participating in the efforts to make America safer. How can they do so without oversight or knowledge of where military grade weapons are going?

I urge you to consider the consequences of this rule change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-k83n Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0768

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joyce Lewis

General Comment

We need stricter gun regulation, not opening doors to more guns. Truly, how many guns are enough??? I say none!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-niye Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0769

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Catherine Kennedy Riggs

General Comment

I am writing in opposition of changing the regulations regarding the export of firearms. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

Firearms manufacturers should not be allowed free reign in the distribution of their product due to the dangerousness posed to populations worldwide.

[1] Trump move would make it easier for U.S. gun manufacturers to export firearms, The Washington Times, May 14, 2018.

[2] Trump wants to make foreign arms sales easier, The Boston Globe, June 23, 2018.

[3] Ibid., The Boston Globe

[4] American Guns Drive the Migrant Crisis That Trump Wants to Fix With a Wall, The Trace, May 25,

2017.

[5] The Trump administration proposes making gun exports easier. Heres how to submit your public comment on this dangerous proposal, Violence Policy Center.

[6] Ibid., Violence Policy Center.

[7] "U.S. requires group to remove 3-D gun instructions from its website," CNN.com, May 13, 2013.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-vymu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0770

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

Those wanting to make this change seem to have lost all sense of conscience and moral values.

We need to be reducing proliferation of gun sales rather than increasing them which this proposal would do.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-hjk9 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0771

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Dan Richman

General Comment

Please do not switch gun sales oversight to the Dept of Commerce, which might open the world market to massive US gun sales. The world is quite violent enough.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-nljq Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0772

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Michael Gnat

General Comment

I vehemently oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department, thereby greatly weakening Congressional oversight of overseas arms sales. There are more than enough wars going on right now, and the US should not be in the business of creating more, or expanding the ones we have. There's much at stake in this world besides CORPORATE PROFITS!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-6jne Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0773

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Karen Sullivan

General Comment

How much will Trump make on this horrible idea?

Do NOT do this. NRA makes enough money.

We do NOT need more guns in the world.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-puz6 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0774

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Keith MaCuk

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-o20i Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0775

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Yvonne Moody

General Comment

Please keep gun sales under the department of State, not Commerce.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-3zv7 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0776

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Patti Buchanan

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. I feel the State Department needs to know what is happening with all weapons.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-asev Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0777

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Judy Bierbaum

General Comment

We do not need to export our insanity and infatuation with guns

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-brqr Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0778

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Pamela Rogers

General Comment

We've got enough people killing one another! I don't think we need to export more guns carte blanche, with no oversight. Definitely not!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-yljs Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0779

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Timothy Stoltzfus-Dueck

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-sx7k Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0780

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Charles Wolfe

General Comment

Please do all possible to keep weapons classified as military equipment and under your jurisdiction, especially export of same. They should not be treated as ordinary "good" for sale worldwide. They should not be under control of the U.S. Commerce Department as they are not like any other items under control of the Commerce Department.

Thank you in advance for considering my statement.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-x9lk Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0781

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Charmagne Haight

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-2t77 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0782

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Ann Khambholja

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business).[1] This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-nkxq Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0783

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kathleen Burt

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Commerce is too interested in making sales without the regulations that help keep these firearms out of the hands of oppressive regimes, organized crime, and potential terrorist organizations.

I want to keep the safeguards at work in the US State Dept. where there is more interest and personnel to follow the regulations that have been set up.

I do not want to make it easier to export weapons and esp. not have firearms regulated by the Dept of Commerce.

I urge you not to make this change.

Sincerely,

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-lw18 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0784

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Grace Dunlevy

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-u9qg Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0785

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Linda Schiffer

General Comment

STOP this insane spread of fire arms before there is open warfare in the streets of every global city. We don't need more guns. We need more gun control! Just how many people have to die at the hands of maniacs brandishing every type of gun...including assault weapons?!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-cc6t Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0786

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Margaret Pierson

General Comment

I urge the Commerce and State Departments to oppose relaxing rules that would make it easier for U.S. firearm manufacturers to export assault rifles and other guns, with less oversight and accountability. With gun violence killing 1,000 people around the world every day, we should be making it harder, not easier, to export U.S. made weapons of war.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-3dfm Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0787

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Julie McCord

General Comment

Classifying our weapons as "commerce" rather than "military" for foreign sale sounds like a wonderful way to get lots more weapons into the hands of our enemies.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-7ld5 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0788

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Carol Hirth

General Comment

I oppose switching regulation of fire arms exports from the State Department to the Department of Commerce. This could lead to the wider spread of arms and ammunition to bad players throughout the world.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-p3jk Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0789

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Alicia Frecker

General Comment

Letting the sale of guns across our national borders be classified as purely "business" (e.g., Commerce) rather than an issue of both foreign and domestic safety is ridiculous. It is pure greed and lacks common sense. I strongly oppose it.

Thank you, Alicia Frecker

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-i4ru Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0790

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Julia Colingsworth

General Comment

I strongly oppose moving the export of weapons from the State Department to the Commerce Department. This would make it more possible for dangerous regimes to purchase assault weapons.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-j6uv Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0791

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Arlene Smith

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-wtsr Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0792

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Eric Mattei

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-wqw0 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0793

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sasha Kay

General Comment

I oppose this rule change because it would mean that Congress is no longer automatically informed about sizable weapons sales, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns. That would prevent Congress from knowing enough to block sales of large batches of firearms to hostile countries.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-zslr Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0794

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Troy West

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0795

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Peter Gellatly

General Comment

Aloha,

I am writing to request that oversight of firearms exports remain with the U.S. Department of State, rather than shift to the Department of Commerce. There are numerous reasons for this, but chief among them is common sense. Commerce is charged with selling things. The Department of State has a loftier purpose, and within its purview is public safety, here and abroad.

Shifted to Commerce, guns become just another commodity, regardless of their deadly purpose and impact. At State there is civility and restraint, plus rigid guidelines honoring American responsibility.

Surely Commerce has better options for would-be customers than those very items that bring such pain and suffering to our own citizens.

Thank you very much.

aloha, Peter Gellatly

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-z4de Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0796

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Tim Barrington

General Comment

To Whom It May Concern,

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Thank you for your consideration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-opdl Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0797

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: John MacDaniel

General Comment

BAN TRUMP AND HIS MINIONS OF ARROGANT IDIOTS!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018
Tracking No. 1k2-942q-md55
Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0798

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Connie Allison

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-2gtu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0799

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jessica Brewer

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Do not make it easier for the US companies to sell weapons around the world. Weapons are not benign commerce. Weapons Commerce should be regulated more and controlled more, not less.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-7rjs Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0800

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Brian Bodine

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-29pc Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0801

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: John Coughlin

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-wd3o Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0802

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Vonny Eckman

General Comment

I understand that SOMEONE wants to change the sales of firearms to other countries from the Dept. of State to the Dept. of Commerce. I am completely against this move and against sales of weaponry of any kind in the first place. After sixteen years of war and MORE, counting my lifetime it's much more than that, we have the audacity to expect other countries to end their war building capacity and NOW we want to make guns a wholesale commodity! Capitalist to the core!

I disapprove highly of this move and I feel the same about a show of force in a stupid military parade!

Thank you for listening and taking action to stop this insanity!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-9idi Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0803

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Wallace Iimura

General Comment

I oppose moving the supervision of arms sales from the State Department to the Commerce Department because the Commerce Department is not as well equipped to do the job as the State Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-pbim Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0804

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: DAVID DIEM

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-ermz Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0805

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Helene Mayer

General Comment

I am submitting this comment in strong opposition to the proposed rule to transfer oversight of small arms (firearms) exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. This rule would make U.S. exports of small arms far more dangerous by transferring controls to an agency that prioritizes doing business over safeguarding national security.

The NSSF has already bragged that the rule would lead to a 20% increase in American gun exports. We can see the gun lobbys influence in the rules description of semiautomatic assault rifles like the AR-15 as civilian products. Weapons such as these were not designed for personal use; they were designed for battlefield, which is why they are the weapons of choice for mass shooters.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-l3gu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0806

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Phyllis Scaringe

General Comment

To: US Department of State
With all due respect: we must take a stand against allowing the international Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II,III.to go forward.
Sincerely, Phyllis Scaringe

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-rpc5 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0807

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-ndr2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0808

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

Transferring regulations from the state department to commerce would be disastrous: it would open the door for terrorists anywhere to get hold of munitions and to manufacture them via 3D technology.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-8vjp Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0809

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Henry Ickes

General Comment

I oppose switching responsibility for the regulation of firearms exports from the US State Department to the US Commerce Department.

- This would eliminate the State Departments "Blue Lantern" program, which has been in place since 1940, carrying-out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reporting on them.
- It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
- It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. Background - when Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to manufacture weapons using 3D printers, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws - his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms both in the U.S. *and* around the globe. At that point, there's no safe place, anywhere.

And, so much for a market for US arms manufacturers when it's possible to make your own untraceable weapon.

Essentially, switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would (1) make it easier to provide firearms to oppressive regimes, (2) remove safeguards to help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons (tough enough as it currently is), and (3) further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. Is that what the United States is - an unscrupulous arms merchant? We criticize other countries for doing this - how is this maintaining high moral ground?

Any *truly* religious person would oppose this action.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018
Tracking No. 1k2-942q-z848
Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0810

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Emily Blank

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-ibby Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0811

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The State Department has the resources and mandate to keep American guns out of the hands of oppressive regimes, international criminals, and terrorists - the Commerce Department does not.

For reasons of national security, the State Department should continue to handle firearms export regulations.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-7hch Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0812

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Dwight Sanders

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Switching the regulation of firearms exports would facilitate making weapons available to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. This is too dangerous and must not be allowed!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-24et Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0813

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sue and John Morris

General Comment

We oppose a rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. We need to be moving toward greater control of firearms, which the Commerce Department does not have the ability to do. We are writing in support of a petition drive by MomsRising, who support tighter control of firearms to protect the children.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-tbo7 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0814

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Leslie Jagger

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-hln4 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0815

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Richard Patenaude

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place because:

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
2. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
3. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-7h9z Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0816

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jennifer Skillicorn

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less! Please do not move forward with this plan.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-djd3 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0817

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nancy Dorian

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the US State Dept. to the US Dept. of Commerce. The Commerce Dept. has neither the resources nor the staff to adequately enforce export controls. Furthermore, the rule change would remove the State Dept.'s block on 3D print weapons, remove licensing requirements for brokers, thereby increasing the risk of trafficking, and it would eliminate the State Dept.'s Blue Lantern program.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-z6t7 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0818

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-hp3z Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0819

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

YOU all are disgusting!!!!

The USSA government has turned into Putin's / NRA entity

How low can you go????

It's tragic!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-3sq2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0820

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Ellen Zarter

General Comment

What a danger to our country--semi-automatic weapons being exported to Whoever wants to buy them and then using them violently abroad against our friends. This is a horrible idea, one which I urge you to reject in strong terms.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-5kei Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0821

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Catherine Hunt

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-tu8a Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0822

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joan Tramontano

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less! PLEASE don't let this happen. It is wrong and will make the world more violent and dangerous than ever. The National Rifle Association has no right to lobby for this outrageous change in United States regulations and policy.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-clu7 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0823

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: sam butler

General Comment

oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-qjyd Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0824

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Veronica Bourassa

General Comment

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-4glo Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0825

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Alexis Lavko

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-bprv Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0826

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Meredith West

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-edrg Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0827

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: james talbot

General Comment

For security purposes, I am against any rule change that would change the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Smells real fishy.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-l8tz Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0828

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Emily Moran

General Comment

I oppose switching the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The state department is focused on the safety of our nation, which is what firearms export should be about, not commerce. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. It would also remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of weapons trafficking. Such changes would make our country - and people in other countries - less safe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-s6to Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0829

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jen Blume

General Comment

oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-lb3f Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0830

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Rebecca Gillespie

General Comment

I oppose this rule change switching the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0831

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mary Wellington

General Comment

We must keep handling of semi-automatic assault weapons and other firearms under the control of the State Department where safeguarding our nation is the priority. Handling must NOT be moved to the commerce Department which is all about corporate profit.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-ejo3 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0832

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Gaia Cole

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-kulf Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0833

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Richard Thorne

Organization: None

General Comment

The proposed rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of

pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms

export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0834

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sara Addington

General Comment

oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-cn1k Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0835

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Rey Diego

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business). This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security. Sensible gun control laws, now.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0836

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: James John Sheehan

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

It is obvious to me that since Donald J. Trump engineered this change of venue regarding the shipment of firearms to be less regulated implies his desire

to become friends with autocratic governments who he painfully would love to have their admiration. Donald J. Trump needs to

be removed from the office of the President of the United States. He is an immature individual with childish dreams of becoming a King.

He is extremely foolish and unfit to serve....Sincerely , James Sheehan, Laguna Niguel, CA. " May God save our Democracy"!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-dolw Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0837

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Emily Brandt

General Comment

There has been a recent increase in gun violence which might have been impossible. There is no excuse for reducing access to all guns. Having had a neighbor who had PTSD and who often pointed it at my children across the fence. I know the constant fear of an unstable person having a gun. I called police every time this happened, but he always put it away before they arrived. He pointed it at his girlfriend who was standing outside his house, but who refused to press charges because he own mental health was challenged. Average people who have no need to protect themselves from other civilians, do not need to own guns. They do not promote public safety; they heighten fear.

I was married to an alcoholic who insisted on owning a shotgun. Once when he was angry and despondent, he locked himself in a bedroom where the gun was. When I called the police, they ridiculed me for being afraid. They didn't recognize that he was drunk and didn't see him in a fit of rage.

Guns contribute nothing to family safety and security. They bring out the absolute worst in human nature and I urge you to realize that you cannot legislate mental health and stability and it is your responsibility to protect lives. At the moment, Congress is not prioritizing human lives over lobbyists and misguided selfish noisy guns advocates.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-md9c Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0838

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Thane Boden

General Comment

At any time, this notion of essentially completely deregulating the sales of weapons (of any kind) would be a decidedly wrong-minded idea; given our current president, well, its difficult not to argue the outcome could very well be in favor of some of our fiercest enemies. Providing capitalists a way to expand their profit at the expense of international stability is a patently stupid idea.

The move to switch weapons sales from an arena with congressional oversight to one without cannot be allowed. Do not allow the Commerce Department to take control of international arms deals.

Thank you,
Thane Boden
Wyoming

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-rbrl Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0839

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Greg Sells

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch regulation of firearms export from the Department of State to the Department of Commerce. Commerce does not adequate staff to adequately enforce export controls, and Congress would no longer be informed about arms sales to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as Turkey and the Philippines. In addition, this rule change would eliminate the Blue Lantern program, which carries out pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them, and has done so since 1940. It would remove requirements for brokers to be licensed, as well as a block on the 3D printing of firearms. All of this would make the world a more dangerous place.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0840

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Linda Izzard

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Guns kill people. We need more controls, NOT Less!! Just what we need...a world with more guns.

The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-nspb Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0841

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: mia heavyrunner

General Comment

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0842

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Rachel Hubka

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0843

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jena Janek

General Comment

It is imperative that the rule regulating the export of firearms NOT be shifted from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

As it is now, firearms are classified as "military", and so they come under the State Department's control. So Congress can monitor and block large sales of firearms to foreign countries. If firearms were to come under the purview of the Commerce Department, then Congress would not be informed of sales, nor could it stop those sales in the name of national security or prevent those sales to countries where there are serious human rights concerns.

In addition, the Commerce Department lacks the resources to enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have the necessary supply of staff members to handle all these controls. As a result, it would be far easier for firearms traffickers, terrorist organizations, organized crime, and other violent persons to secure large amounts of American guns and ammunition.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would ease the way for oppressive regimes to secure American weapons, as well as organized crime and terrorist organizations. Putting the regulation of firearms under the Commerce Department's umbrella would simply fuel the violence that destabilizes countries and is the cause of mass migration.

Shifting the firearms exports to the realm of the Commerce Department would result in eliminating the State Department's Blue Lantern program (begun in 1940) which conducts hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections, and makes those reports public. Shifting firearms exports to the Commerce Department would result in the elimination of licensing requirements for brokers, which highly increase the risk of trafficking. Also, placing firearms exports under the Commerce Department would remove the State Department's block on the 3D printing of firearms. Without this block, 3D printing of firearms could happen readily in the United States and around the globe.

Whoever suggested that the export of firearms be shifted from the State Department to the Commerce Department did not think deeply enough into the ramifications of the idea. This must not be allowed to happen.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0844

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Shari Silverman

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. The Commerce Department does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0845

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jeffery Bovee

General Comment

Firearms sales must remain classified as military along with any other weaponry.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-c13z Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0846

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jennifer Biswas

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

We must safeguard the interests of our nation rather than relax regulations for the purposes of making more money for gun manufacturers.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0847

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jack David Marcus

General Comment

In my opinion, switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

I believe the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place in the following ways:

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
2. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
3. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon.
4. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0848

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Derek Gilbert

General Comment

I am writing to OPPOSE the proposed rule change that would switch regulations of firearms export to the Department of Commerce. There are MANY reasons for opposing this change. Here are some:

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
2. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
3. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0849

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kathleen Kaysinger

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulation of firearm export from the US State Department to the US Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0850

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Catherine Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0851

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lascinda Goetschius

General Comment

We don't need more guns. We need less guns Too many innocent people are being killed by Assault weapons

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0852

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: James Cunningham

Organization: Guitar Instruction

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This is an incredibly bad idea the origin of which lies in a basis of greed and nothing else. To allow easier export of weapons with less oversight defies sound reasoning, common sense, and simple logic. We in the USA already have a severe problem with too many guns in the wrong hands as evidenced by the massive increase in mass shootings, the likes of which were exceptionally rare in our past. Why would we want to export that? If anything, we need to make it far more difficult to export weapons in order to address the all too common violence around the world. This is yet another senseless and foolish idea from the most corrupt administration in our nations history.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0853

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Gregory Fite

General Comment

I oppose the proposed rule change that would switch oversight of arms sales from the State Department to the Department of Commerce. This is an open invitation to uncontrollable arms sales for profit, over the interests of national security and public safety.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0854

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Susan Schmidt

Organization: Schmidt Family Farms

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]
2. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]
3. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0855

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: jackie thiry

General Comment

I oppose switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department because it would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0856

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kathryn Burns

General Comment

I'm writing to protest a proposed switch of gun export regulations from the State Department to Commerce. This is unnerving. Guns aren't just a commodity to be traded; they can and to kill people. Firearms currently are classified as "military," which does make sense. Let's face it; guns kill. You don't want just anyone with a few extra dollars to buy weapons. Currently, the State Department can block the sale of large amounts of firearms, and I don't believe Commerce is set up to deal with that. Also, the State Department is informed of large sales, and if the arms are being sent to countries where we don't want them to go. Commerce deals in, well, commerce. National security isn't part of its mandate. Other problems with the proposal: A.) It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, which dates to 1940 and carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

B.) It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. C.) It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe. In short, the proposed change is a very bad idea. Please don't go through with it.

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0857

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Bridget Mahoney

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0858

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Rey Diego

General Comment

The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0859

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Marsha Malone

General Comment

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0860

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Eric Scheihagen

General Comment

I strongly oppose this proposed rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The export of firearms has serious national security, geopolitical and human rights implications, and should continue to be regulated by the State Department.

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0861

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Diane Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch firearm regulations from the State department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0862

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Deborah Cake

General Comment

July 3, 2018

Comment on International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

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The existing rules must be maintained and strengthened if switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department facilitates firearms exports to oppressive regimes, removes safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuels violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0863

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Carolyn Wall

General Comment

I vehemently oppose the proposed rule change to the ITAR. It is imperative that ANY weapons exports remain under the purview of the State Department. This is a national security issue and requires legislative involvement and strong enforcement. The Commerce Department is ill equipped to carry out such an important task.

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0864

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Chris Casper

General Comment

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, making us all less safe. I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0865

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jen Han

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the US commerce department. Please dont do it! Thank you

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0866

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Bryan Bennett

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0867

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anne Drinkwater

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulation of firearms from the U S State department to the U S Department of commerce. Selling weapons outside of the US could be a threat to our security.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0868

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Rick Belding

General Comment

Making guns more available outside the US is a security issue to me. The State Department needs to keep control of gun trafficking. We do enough damage to outside nations through our military sales that we don't need to feed weapons to more groups or individuals. Please do not change this rule regarding US Munitions. For the good of the world.

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0869

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jeanne Dwyer

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-obod Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0870

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I very much oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

It makes no sense at all for us to allow the sale and export of arms that could end up in terrorist organizations, organized crime, traffickers of firearms, dangerous governments that should be under the control of the US State Department, not the Commerce Department.

This is an atrocity waiting to happen, and we can't allow this to happen. This is a disastrous idea and should never be implemented.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0871

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Donna Bryant

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security. With this rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Naturally, arms manufacturers would like this change because they are the most vile people on earth, dealing in death as they do. They have enough money; ditch this attempt to give them even more obscene profits by exporting death and destruction.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Amrita Burdick

General Comment

Given the current world situation with civilians dying in ever so many places, it makes a lot more sense to keep arms traffic under the Department of State, where arms sales can be monitored appropriately.

The Commerce Department does not have staff to adequately monitor arms sales, nor does it have a vested interest in keeping the world sane and peaceful. Unleashing arms sales to anyone (think organized crime, terrorist groups) would make the US and the world less safe. Human lives are more valuable than money. It's time to get US policies back in line with international mores and with our common values.

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Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Geoff Hamer

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0874

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Carl Wallenmeyer

General Comment

We need fewer, not more, guns in the world. Please don't make the proposed change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. I think this change would ultimately make the sale of weapons much too easy for the wrong people.

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0875

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mary Beth Lavelle

General Comment

I strongly oppose the transfer of gun and ammunition export control from the State Department to the Commerce Department. The oversight and staff needed to protect the American people from the shipment of arms and ammo to enemies, corrupt dictators and others intent on harming the American people is inadequate and inexperienced in the Commerce Department. The transfer would be a true dereliction of duty on the part of anyone entrusted with the safety and security of America.

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0876

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kathy Madden-Bentle

General Comment

Military weapons have no place in public hands. Too many children are threatened and fear from their lives because of someone who is mentally deficient/challenged. Those who have been bullied are also at risk of turning their thoughts to murdering another child/adult because of the trauma caused them while being bullied. Automatic weapons should be stopped from any sales and destroyed once the military has finished with them.

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0877

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Croitiene ganMoryn

General Comment

I oppose this rule change.

With this rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

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Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

Thank you

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0878

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Rosalind Andrews

General Comment

Are the people in the Department of State losing their minds????

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0879

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Barbara and Jim Dale

General Comment

We strongly oppose the change that would place the sales of firearms internationally under the control of the Department of Commerce rather than the Department of State as has been the law.

Too many dangers exist in this proposal which seems to be based solely on profit motives.

Some of the changes that will cause problems are

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We see the proliferation of guns anywhere as a threat to security, life and limb. To extend the curse that our country has come under to others around the world seems profoundly cruel and inhumane.

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Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jennifer Baratta

General Comment

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It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-zbpw Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0881

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Leslie Wenberg

General Comment

I am extremely concerned about easy access to both guns and ammunition. This makes it simpler for people in the U.S. and traffickers overseas. Isis and others buy guns and ammunition here easily. They then use it in Terrorist Attacks around the world.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-jr0u Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0882

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joseph Lahm

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-uzj0 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0883

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: carol Denning

General Comment

I oppose the rule change about giving authority to Commerce department. The ban on 3-D printing of Weapons is essential to the protection of our planet. Also Blue Lantern has been effective; do not stop it now by transferring to understaffed and alternative mission of Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-uvob Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0884

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

We do not need to change this rule. This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-f3hm Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0885

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Naomi Peuse

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. This is very bad.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-eyw0 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0886

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Peter Brazitis

Organization: retired

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe. The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-8qew Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0887

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Raymond Zahra

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. Regulation of these exports should remain under the jurisdiction of the State Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-m44s Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0888

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Allie S

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-7qox Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0889

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Annie McCombs

General Comment

I strenuously oppose this rule change. The Department of State is the proper oversight department for regulating the sales of arms outside U. S. borders. Reject this policy change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-xcqq Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0890

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: jim Barber

General Comment

Firearms exports are classified as military at this time. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

It is a bad idea brought to you by the NRA, to make the world a more dangerous place than it already is.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-gy0q Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0891

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: John Hansen

General Comment

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business).[1] This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-e90n Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0892

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Georgia Locker

General Comment

I STRONGLY OPPOSE SWITCHING THE GOVERNING OF ARMS FROM IT'S PRESENT DEPARTMENT FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]
- 2.It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]
- 3.It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

WE ALREADY ARE NOT SAFE IN THIS COUNTRY BECAUSE OF LAXITY IN PEOPLE IMPORTING AND BUYING ARMS IN THE COUNTRY. WE EXPORT AND MAKE OTHER COUNTRIES LESS SAFE. WE NEED TIGHTER RESTRICTIONS, NOT LOOSER ONES.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-4mp8 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0893

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: John Hansen

General Comment

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business).[1] This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-9viv Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0894

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joseph Lipsey

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

The Commerce Department does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

This is totally unacceptable. We must not implement this rule change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-bg6t Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0895

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Rebecca Hall

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-rz3y Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0896

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

This change would serve the gun manufacturers, terrorists and criminal gangs. It would serve NO ONE else. This is a really dumb idea.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-w61g Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0897

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Hazel Poolos

General Comment

I OPPOSE THIS RULE CHANGE THAT WOULD SWITCH THE REGULATIONS OF FIREARMS EXPORT FROM THE

UNITED STATES STATE DEPARTMENT TO THE UNITED STATE COMMERCE DEPARTMENT. THE SAFEGUARD OF

THE UNITED STATES IS MY FOCUS. WE AMERICANS' SAFETY IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN PROFIT.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-y8ps Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0898

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: William Sharfman

General Comment

Your proposed rule change would have the following effects, which are totally unacceptable in a civilized society:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-w6jw Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0899

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Letticia Anonymous

Organization: Catholic Charities

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous

They kill people

There should be more regulations not Less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-xst2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0900

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: The Rev Charles H Hensel

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-orrx Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0901

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jessica Blagen

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. Don't do it.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-pth0 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0902

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joanna Capitano

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-qk30 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0903

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Pamela Palencia

General Comment

I oppose the rule that would switch the regulations of firearms EXPORT to the US commerce Dept.
YOu might be arming the enemy!!!! Think about it.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-nu2f Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0904

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Bob Railey

General Comment

I am registering my strong disapproval of the proposed transfer of oversight for export of firearms from the Dept. of State to the Dept. of Commerce. The Dept. of State has some interest in minimizing the amount of weaponry throughout the world. The Dept. of Commerce (especially under the Trump administration) will have as its only interest maximizing weaponry exported from the USA, without regard to where the weapons go.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-uyzy Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0905

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Julia Stevenson

General Comment

I fervently disagree with the idea of switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department.

The State Department is the proper entity to handle export licenses of semi-automatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms.

Transferring this authority to the US Commerce Dept would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Such a move would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

I oppose this rule change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-vudh Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0906

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Trisha Winn

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-8wmf Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0907

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. You can also copy and paste in other parts of this email, too, in order to make your case.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-7lhw Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0908

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I run a small farm business and live in a rural area where guns and their use for hunting are common. I have no problem with such guns and their uses. I have a huge problem with the prevalence of assault weapons easily obtained in this country by just about anyone. Making it easier to ship guns overseas is even more horrifying considering how they could be used against this country and the peoples of the countries to whom we sell them. There should be much more control of guns...not less.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-fmpn Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0909

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Catherine O'Neill

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-cnvy Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0910

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joanne Neale

General Comment

I strongly oppose this rule change which favors the interests of gun manufacturers over the safety of Americans. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-t7ws Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0911

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose the proposed rule for the following reasons:

The proposed rule treats semi-automatic assault rifles as non-military. But many groups in importing countries use semi-automatic rifles in armed conflicts, causing enormous damage. U.S. troops use rifles in semi-automatic mode much of the time. Many countries prohibit civilian possession of semi-automatic rifles and handguns, as well as of any larger caliber firearm. Six U.S. states and several large retail chains also prohibit retail sale of semi-automatic assault rifles. Many semi-automatic rifles are also easily converted to fully automatic firearms. Because military-style assault rifles clearly have substantial military utility, transfer of these firearms to Commerce Department control is inconsistent with the statutory framework enacted by the Congress to regulate the export of arms.

The proposed rule would eliminate Congressional oversight for important gun export deals. That will limit its ability to comment on related human rights concerns, as it recently did on the Philippines and Turkey. In a September 15, 2017, letter, Senators Benjamin Cardin, Dianne Feinstein, and Patrick Leahy explicitly noted that this move would violate Congressional intent and effectively eliminate Congress proper role.

The new rules would transfer the cost of processing licenses from gun manufacturers to taxpayers. Gun exporters that benefit from these sales should shoulder this cost instead.

National laws for brokers and financiers who arrange firearm shipments are a weak link in the chain of efforts to curtail trafficking of small arms and light weapons. Although Commerce states it will retain rules on brokering for a State Department list that includes assault rifles, there is no statutory basis for brokers of these weapons to register and obtain a license, increasing the risk of trafficking.

The rule would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program for publicly reporting gun and ammunition exports. It also would move license approval out of the department that compiles the U.S. Governments information on human rights violations, reducing the ability to deny weapons licenses to violators. End-use controls also are weakened by eliminating registration of firearms exporters.

The rule enables unchecked gun production in the U.S. and exports abroad by removing the block on 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for 3D-printing weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a

lethal weapon. The Commerce Department is unlikely to make the same argument. The new regulations effectively condone and enable 3D printing of firearms around the world. By effectively eliminating many means to detect firearms, background checks on domestic sales and end-use controls on international exports for such weapons, this change could cause many preventable tragedies.

The Commerce Department does not have resources to enforce export controls, even before the addition of 10,000 firearms export license applicants as a result of this rule predicted by Commerce. The BISs enforcement office, with no staff in Latin America, Africa, or many other parts of the world, is not equipped to take the same level of preventive measures for end-use controls. The State Department has developed extensive data, expertise and institutional relations to implement the Leahy Law for security assistance, which can serve as a critical foundation in both pre-license and post-shipment checks to control and verify end uses and end users. Commerce does not have these resources.

The rule would eliminate Congressional and public awareness of the total amount of firearms sales authorizations and deliveries around the world, since the Commerce Department annual reports currently only cover about 20 countries.

This rule would transfer gun export licensing to an agency whose principle mission is to promote trade. Firearms are uniquely and pervasively used in criminal violence around the world. Controlling their export should be handled by the State Department, which is mandated and structured to address the potential impacts in importing nations on stability, human security, conflict, and human rights.

Firearms are used to kill a thousand people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. Research indicates that the types of weapons being transferred to Commerce control, including AR-15, AK-47, and other military-style assault rifles and their ammunition, are weapons of choice for criminal organizations in Mexico and other Latin American countries that are responsible for most of the increasing and record levels of homicides in those countries. The export of these weapons should be subject to more controls, not less.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-v1kv Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0912

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Patricia Levin

General Comment

I am appalled the National Rifle Association wants guns for everyone, all around the world. I believe it is a terrible mistake to make a rule change which would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This is dangerous! We have problems with these weapons in our country. Think about our national security if weapons made in the U.S. are used against us. It is totally disgusting the NRA wants to change the rules so they can sell weapons around the world to foreigners can maim and kill people around the world and come out of our country and kill us. All that matters to the NRA is selling more guns, not the safety of human beings.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0913

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Brenda Troup

General Comment

Do not allow the transfer of gun sales to the commerce dept! There are too many weapons sloshing about, killing civiliians and creating chaos. Letting an agency which just wants to sell more and more is not in the interest of humanity.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-hf53 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0914

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sue VanDerzee

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would make arms sales regulated by the Commerce Department rather than the Department of State, where the responsibility lies now. This seems to me a short-sighted rule change which would make it easier for people around the world to kill each other, and us. When American safety is the buzz word in Washington, DC, why would a rule that makes us less safe even be considered?

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-r9n1 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0915

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: D S

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-j045 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0916

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Patrick Bosold

General Comment

This rule is a really bad idea.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

All that, just for the sake of increasing sales volume and profits for U.S. weapons manufacturers?

This is terrible public policy, domestically and internationally. Please drop this proposed rule.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-gnez Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0917

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Marlene Stalter

General Comment

I am opposed to changes that would allow the NRA to export more weapons. The US has more guns and gun violence than any other country. The NRA will use these rule changes cynically to increase the already obscene amounts the weapons manufacturers already make. They are not concerned about the added danger to a world with too much violence and strife as it is.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-888b Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0918

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sharon Brown

General Comment

There is enough gun violence in the US to prevent sales here. Why would we wish this on anyone else? Please help the world from becoming a more dangerous place and vote against the sale of military grade weapons to commercial markets. Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-zcaw Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0919

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Victor Escobar

General Comment

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-1juv Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0920

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Leigh Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change which would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

This rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They're used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

Thank you for considering my thoughts to help make our country, and our world, a safer place.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-y2az Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0921

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

Changing oversight of gun sales from the State Dept. to the Dept. of Commerce is an underhanded move to give more profits to gun manufacturers at the expense of the safety and security of everyone, everywhere. At a time when this administration is decrying the drug wars and the violence in Central America, this idea is crazy and dangerous to all countries, including the US.

Please do to allow this to happen. Innocent people will suffer, and the standing of our country will be soiled beyond measure.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0922

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jennifer Heggie

General Comment

Moving arms regulations from the State Department to the Commerce Department will serve to destabilize the world further. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security. Firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition. This change will definitely not "make America safer."

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-w1rp Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0923

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business).[1] This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]
2. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]
3. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-cvoe Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0924

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Renee Deljon

General Comment

I strongly OPPOSE any change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful (i.e., MILITARY-GRADE) firearms from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious NEGATIVE implications for our national security and LIVES around the world. Goddamn all you mercenary, death and destruction-causing fuckers.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-qjyc Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0925

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Bill Holt

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. We need fewer guns killing people, not more.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-2q2l Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0926

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kim Kaminsky

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

It would also allow the 3D printing of firearms. This is irresponsible and dangerous. I urge you not to implement this rule change. This is not well thought out and obvious that it is only to benefit the US manufacturers of fire arms.

Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-m7b5 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0927

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lesley Boyland

General Comment

I am horrified to hear of a proposal to change the rules on the export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from being handled by the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

The Commerce Department does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

I understand that firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns.

Please, put our national security first and decline this alarming proposal.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-y1d5 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0928

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Deborah Iredale

General Comment

It seems wrong to spread the possibility of unregulated firearms, whether within or outside the US.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-abp9 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0929

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: richard smith

General Comment

Do NOT change the rules by which firearms are sold overseas. It's bad enough America is overrun and unregulated as far as firearms are concerned, but now weapons manufacturers supported by the NRA want to export weapons without the rules that the State Dept. requires. This is a moral abomination and should be rejected forthwith.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942q-ndxi Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0930

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: W. Andrew Stover

General Comment

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0931

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Arwen Griffith

General Comment

I strongly oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Commerce should not be the primary driver in gun movement. Safety is much more important.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-hcy2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0932

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mark Cosgriff

General Comment

I oppose this change.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0933

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jane Tuvín

General Comment

Dear State Department and International ammunitions experts: this week is a true sampling and indication of the need to pass and enforce laws related to reducing the purchase of guns, ammunitions and etc. These weapons are purchased, resold and operated by people, who will use force on anyone and at anytimem

. We can't have our great country become this war zone. Please stop buying and selling of automated guns.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0934

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Charles Bartoletti

General Comment

I strongly object to the sale of assault weapons produced by US gun manufacturers to private citizens around the world. We need to stop those sales in the US, not propogate them around the world. Have we lost our collective minds

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0935

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Andrea Tennison

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Right now, firearms exports are rightly classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. This puts the safety of our Nation and our troops abroad at risk.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0936

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Katherine Howard

General Comment

I strongly oppose this rule change. Switching the regulation of firearms export from the US State Department to the US Department of Commerce is a bad idea.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-whfy Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0937

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Patrick Reid

General Comment

I strongly oppose switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. This misguided change would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep weapons out of the hands of bad actors like organized crime and terrorist organizations, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0938

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Samuel Swift

General Comment

I oppose the proposed rule for the following reasons:

The proposed rule treats semi-automatic assault rifles as non-military. But many state and non-state groups in importing countries use semi-automatic rifles in armed conflicts, causing enormous damage. U.S. troops use rifles in semi-automatic mode an overwhelming amount of the time. Regarding wide retail availability of firearms, about which comment has been requested, many countries prohibit civilian possession of semi-automatic rifles and handguns, as well as of any larger caliber firearm. Six U.S. states, the District of Columbia, and several large retail chains also prohibit retail sale of semi-automatic assault rifles. Many semi-automatic rifles are also easily converted to fully automatic firearms. Because military-style assault rifles clearly have substantial military utility, transfer of these firearms to Commerce Department control is inconsistent with the statutory framework enacted by the Congress to regulate the export of arms.

The proposed rule would eliminate Congressional oversight for important gun export deals. Congress will no longer be automatically informed about sizable sales of these weapons. That will limit its ability to comment on related human rights concerns, as it recently did on the Philippines and Turkey.[2] Congressional action in 2002 required sales of firearms regulated by the US Munitions List valued at \$1 million or more be notified to Congress. Items moved to Commerce control would no longer be subject to such notification. In a September 15, 2017, letter, Senators Benjamin Cardin, Dianne Feinstein, and Patrick Leahy explicitly noted that this move would violate Congressional intent and effectively eliminate Congress proper role.

The new rules would transfer the cost of processing licenses from gun manufacturers to taxpayers. Registration fees that since the 1940s have been used to offset the costs to the government of tracking who is manufacturing weapons would no longer apply to manufacturers of semi-automatic weapons, and Commerce does not charge any fee for licensing. So the government i.e., taxpayers will absorb the cost of reviewing applications and processing licenses. Gun exporters that benefit from these sales should shoulder this cost.

National laws for brokers and financiers who arrange firearm shipments are a weak link in the chain of efforts to curtail trafficking of small arms and light weapons. There is good reason for concern that firearms brokers will no longer be subject to US brokering law. Although Commerce states it will retain

rules on brokering for a State Department list that includes assault rifles, there is no statutory basis for brokers of these weapons to register and obtain a license, increasing the risk of trafficking. That will make it easier for unscrupulous dealers to escape attention.[3]

The rule reduces end-use controls for gun exports. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program for gun and ammunition exports, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. It also would move license approval out of the department that compiles the U.S. Governments information on human rights violations, reducing the ability to effectively deny weapons licenses to international human rights violators. End-use controls also are weakened by eliminating registration of firearms exporters, a requirement since the 1940s. Registration of exporters allows the State Department to check an exporters history whenever a manufacturer or broker requests a license for a particular gun export sale. But the transfer of licensing to Commerce will remove new exporters and brokers of these firearms from the State Department database, weakening enforcement against arms trafficking.

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0939

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Rebecca Nimmons

General Comment

There is a reason for regulations. People out to make a buck any way they can need to be reigned in. And the NRA has no conscience. Moving gun sales from the State Dept. to the Commerce Dept. would be catastrophic to this country and the world. We already sell guns and bombs and bombers to places that we shouldn't. We do not have the wisdom or compassion to make it easier for everybody to buy guns wherever they are or whoever they are. We need to limit guns everywhere to make our world safer. Our country is a very dangerous place because no leaders will regulate guns as they should. Are we mere Neanderthals? Do we have to spread violence and war everywhere? NO!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! We must set an example...take the high road...teach a better way: peace. We'd all be happier and safer. And there's the Golden Rule. It's a good rule and we should obey it. That would mean lots more control over where guns are and who uses them for what purpose. Let's act like we are intelligent about this matter and do the right thing for the common good.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0940

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Norma Kline

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. These are examples of how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
2. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
- 3.. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

I urge that the proposed rule change be denied and the U.S. Department of State continue to regulate the export of firearms.

Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0941

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: David Young

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This change would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0942

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nikita Hulbert

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

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PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0943

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Richard Browman

Organization: Moms Rising

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-prep Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0944

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Susan Bush

General Comment

I think it is absurd, bordering on insane, to eliminate State Department Blue Lantern program, to remove licensing requirements for brokers, and to remove States block on 3D printing of firearms.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-986q Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0945

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Robert Mutascio

General Comment

This BENEFITS NO ONE except for gun manufacturers. And potentially HARMS many people. This is a very bad ruling.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-sbcm Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0946

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Steve Aydelott

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-340o Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0947

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Barbara Bendio

General Comment

I am opposed to the rule change for international traffic in arms. There is no reason to change this rule, other than to increase sales of firearms. Please don't change the rule

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-zv6g Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0948

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kevin Crupi

General Comment

I oppose this proposed rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business). This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

In fact, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

Additionally, switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. All these represent threats to U.S. national security.

I urge you to oppose this proposed rule change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0949

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Trisha tenBroeke

General Comment

As a citizen concerned with our nation's security, I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. I have deep concerns about the effect this rule change would cause. Specifically, I have many concerns, including that: it would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Again, I strongly oppose this rule change. Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-k2od Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0950

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose changing the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would make it easier for guns to end up in the hands of those outside of the law like organized crime and terrorist organizations and enemy regimes. It would further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Selling guns outside of the US is NOT business as usual and must be monitored by expertise of the State Dept, not the Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-kbmu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0951

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Billy Angus

General Comment

Get rid of the NRA!!

They're nothing but a terrorist organization, plain and simple!!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-3r6y Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0952

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Peter Mattison

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Firearms are dangerous, and are used in to kill people around the world daily through organized crime, political violence, and terrorism. They should be subject to more controls, not fewer! Their trade and commerce should remain under the auspices of national security, not commerce.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0953

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Maureen Clarke

General Comment

I oppose this rule change. Enough is enough! The world does not need more guns!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-f8as Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0954

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Geri Collecchia

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-uu26 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0955

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Karen Kwiatkowski

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. I believe it would jepotdize our natuonal security.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-b238 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0956

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Roger Wess

General Comment

The Department of State needs to control the sale of arms out of this country, not the Department of Commerce.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-rw4w Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0957

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Erica Stanojevic

General Comment

How about we don't loosen restrictions on firearms.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

[4] American Guns Drive the Migrant Crisis That Trump Wants to Fix With a Wall, The Trace, May 25, 2017.

[5] The Trump administration proposes making gun exports easier. Heres how to submit your public comment on this dangerous proposal, Violence Policy Center.

[6] Ibid., Violence Policy Center.

[7] "U.S. requires group to remove 3-D gun instructions from its website," CNN.com, May 13, 2013.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-stz0 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0958

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

In regard to human life and the safety of our country we need to keep the sale of all assault weapons and all firearms under the U.S. State Department and not allow it to be transferred to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-b8uy Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0959

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Henry Lewis

General Comment

As an American teacher and someone who cares deeply about ending random violence and human rights abuses around the world, I firmly OPPOSE the rule change that would move the handling of export licenses for semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Personally, I don't trust American weapons manufacturers to be ethical when it comes to such foreign sales. In addition, the Commerce Department isn't structure to handle proper oversight of such sales.

Making it easier for weapons manufacturers to sell their wares without the oversight of the US Congress is insanity and flies in the face of everything the Trump administration says about trying to keep the Homeland safe from foreign terror and gang threats. Investigations have shown that many of the weapons used in drug and terror related crimes in Latin America (where I'm currently living and teaching) already originate in the USA. Taking away Congress's and the US State Department's oversight of large sales of semi-automatic weapons will only increase the violence in countries where human rights abuses are now common place. This, in turn, will cause more refugees to flee violence-plagued countries and attempt to cross into the USA illegally.

Isn't anyone in Washington, D. C. these days able to use critical thinking skills and connect the dots. The violence always makes it's way back to (and inside) America's borders.

I urge you to reject this rule change!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-se4e Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0960

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

This seems like a dangerous threat to our national security. I am against changes to this regulation.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-f0am Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0961

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Dorothy Stegman

General Comment

I oppose this rule change which would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-s6bp Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0962

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: william gorenfeld

General Comment

More guns world wide = more violence.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-9zy6 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0963

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Barbara Armstrong-Magwood

General Comment

HERES THE LOW DOWN: Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-jwh2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0964

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nancy R Bogen

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-3fnn Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0965

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Laurie Funaroff

General Comment

Urgent. Do not switch firearms from control by state department to control by commerce dept.

This will promote more violence, destabilizing more governments and forcing more migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0966

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Rebecca Chase-Chen

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0967

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nicholas S Costa

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0968

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kristy Johnson

General Comment

This is absolutely absurd. Let's let the firearms manufacturers export guns so that they could possibly be used against our own citizens and soldiers. Tell the NRA NO, not only NO but HELL NO!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0969

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Cheryl Farmer MD

General Comment

Friends, I write in OPPOSITION to a rules change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This transfer of authority would facilitate vastly increased sales of arms internationally, with serious implications for our national security. Such a policy could lead to an unfortunate future situation where our own combat troops face troublemakers armed with American made weaponry. This would be an unacceptable outcome! Please maintain the status quo on this issue, as current regulations have been effective for decades.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0970

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Robin Walden

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less! It is unthinkable that the US would be considering promoting the sale of assault weapons world-wide.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0971

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Susan Faigle

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The following reasons highlight why the change should not occur:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-9ftf Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0972

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anne Koster

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-yudu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0973

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Olga Abella

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-2swv Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0974

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Susan Hubbard-Reeves

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
2. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
3. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

For multiple reasons, this rule change is not in the interests of the American people and I am in opposition to the change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0975

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Linda Carroll

General Comment

I oppose the transfer of authority over the sales of guns from the State Department to the Commerce Department. Guns involve many factors that put them out of the realm of simple commerce.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-i7n9 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0976

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Karen Howard

General Comment

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change to move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business). This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

At present, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.

With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security. Weapons sales even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles in obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program (in place since 1940), which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
2. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
3. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting

made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere in the world, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

The motto is Make America Great Again our new motto should be KEEP AMERICA SAFE.

Dont allow this transfer occur.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0977

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jonathan Weinstock

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department, as it would:

- eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
 - remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
 - remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.
- All of this would create a more dangerous society and world.

Thanks very much,
Jonathan

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-yf0w Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0978

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Paul Kivel

Organization: SURJ--Showing Up for Racial Justice

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0979

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Peter Reynolds

General Comment

I oppose the rules change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

This rules change benefits the NRA, not American National Security! I oppose it.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0980

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mike Andrewjeski

Organization: self

General Comment

No No No No!

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0981

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0982

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Amy Haines

General Comment

Please maintain control of Arms and weapons sales through the State Dept. Weapon sales need to be monitored and kept under tight control. Thank you

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-htrr Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0983

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Diana Truax

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulation of firearm exports from the US State Department to the US Commerce Department. Doing this could encourage the sale of large caches of weapons to foreign governments and organizations further endangering the US citizens.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-twuy Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0984

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lari Tiller Howell

General Comment

I understand that the NRA is pushing for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business).[1] This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

I fear that this would be the undoing of civilizing as we know it. At this point in history, with record unrest, human migration and displacement, adding more arms is disaster to the common man. Governments cannot win, peace cannot win, humanity cannot win. Changing the overseeing cabinet depart from the State to the Commerce department can only be for the purpose of selling death.

All it will do is control population growth. ZPG

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0985

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: David Varnum

General Comment

Jurisdiction over U.S. gun exports should be kept within the U.S. Department of State, and NOT transferred to the Department of Commerce.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0986

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0987

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Dori Goldman

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-tbjt Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0988

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Laurie Price

General Comment

No way!! This is the last thing we need. Please, no more.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-q01g Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0989

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Christopher Ivancevic

General Comment

This is an ABSOLUTE HORRIBLE IDEA! Just insane. This idea that one bullet for one pull of the trigger is somehow not worthy of maximum oversight is just naive at the least, and a complete disregard for human life at the worst. The state department must continue to safeguard our nation and oversee all firearm sales. This attempt to switch it to the Commerce Department is nothing more than a reckless money grab at the risk of human lives.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0990

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Judith Anonymous

General Comment

I strongly oppose the proposed rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0991

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Donald Rumph

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

I also believe that the United states has showered more than enough grief on citizens of the world through the excess gifting and sale of military weapons, including firearms but not forgetting shoulder fired rockets, Abrams tanks, F-35 fighters, and the list goes on. WE need to get in the peace business.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-4luz Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0992

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Barbara Wood

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-aohj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0993

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anne Hepfer

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. it would allow more arms to enter the U.S., which would cause more shootings due to the availability.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0994

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sandra Woodall

Organization: Lady Freethinker

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0995

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Pamela LaRue

General Comment

Our national security comes first. Please keep control of arms sales abroad under control of the State Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-2kdm Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-0996

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Vaughan Greene

General Comment

Don't make it easier to export firearms. They usually end up with the wrong people anyway.
ENOUGH with guns everywhere.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-y1os Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0997

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Hildy Feen

General Comment

I strongly oppose the rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business). This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security. Below are more reasons why the proposed rule change should not be approved:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

It would impact our national security by facilitating firearms exports to oppressive regimes, removing safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fueling violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. The world needs less firearms, not more.

Humanity needs less killing, not more.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0998

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Patricia Dishman

General Comment

Dear Sir:

I strongly oppose the proposal to switch the regulation of firearms from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Department of Commerce. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. It would also remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. Additionally it would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

In summary, firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-kvrj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-0999

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The US State Department is better equipped to keep in mind the security of the USA.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-u8z3 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1000

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Rose Aranita

General Comment

The proposed changes to regulating international weapons sales opens the door to increased violence in other countries where human rights are at risk, strengthening of local gangs having access to more dangerous weapons, endangers fragile democracies threatened by tyrannical groups, and increases dangers to civil peace and families. For these reasons, I oppose the shifting of weapons deals to the Commerce Department. The globe and local citizens would be in danger of losing harmonious governance and peace in our families across the world.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-9coz Comments Due: July 09, 2018
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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1001

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Allan Campbell

General Comment

I oppose this rule because it would allow more firearms. Because the regulations should not be changed to the Commerce department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-tm3v Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1002

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Robert Thompsson

General Comment

Shifting management of international trade in arms from the state department to commerce is NOT a good idea at all. The commerce platform will shift the focus from common sense safety to selling as many guns as possible. Do not do it. RSTHOMPSON MD

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-4rbr Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1003

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Elizabeth Craft

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-tj0x Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1004

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: C. Warren Pope

General Comment

This relaxation in export rules for firearms is ridiculous and must be defeated. More guns means more death and more murders. Don't we have enough trouble in the US?

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-z14v Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1005

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lester Stano

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. It would eliminate the State Department's Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Department's block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-z8t2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1006

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-5074 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1007

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: PJ Lents

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-9a44 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1008

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Clara Salloom

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulation of firearms export from the State Department to the Commerce Department. This change would have serious implications for our national security. Firearms export regulations should continue to be the responsibility of the State Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-kjla Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1009

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Christina Duck

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. It's an absolute outrage that this is even happening. We will just be arming more terrorists with weapons. Don't let this happen!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-z8lz Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1010

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Franco Ferrer-San Miguel

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-fa83 Comments Due: July 09, 2018
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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1011

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: David Sherman

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulation of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

This rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

- * It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

- * It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

- * It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-oo7t Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1012

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Arthur Burzykowski

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-ifm2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1013

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: L. Adams

General Comment

I am against changing the regulatory oversight for arms sales to the commerce department. We do not need to be shipping weapons overseas to people like Duterte & Erdogan.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-e9bv Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1014

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Terri Coppersmith

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

Please do not change the rules that help make our country and our world a safer place.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-hav3 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1015

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Catherine Zarate

General Comment

I oppose this rule change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-n0zn Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1016

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-439q Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1017

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nanette griesi

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-yp3l Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1018

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jody Benson

General Comment

As a gun owner, former hunter, and former ARCAO (Korea: Camp Henry, Camp Humphries, Camp Casey 71/72 when these bases were primitive), I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. I do not want weapons in the hands of terrorists and criminals in other countries that can be used, not only against their own people, but against Americans abroad.

Ive travelled the world and been in many conflict zones, including Afghanistan. The lawlessness of these areas is exacerbated by the fact that everybody owns a weapon. Small arms and light weapons are the preferred weapon of these small-time bullies, drug dealers, and cartels, as well as big-time terrorists like ISIS, al-Qaeda, al-Shabaab, Boko Haram.

Making light weapons (the definition includes: revolvers and self-loading pistols, rifles and carbines, assault rifles, sub-machine guns and light machine guns) available as a commodity anybody can order without any restrictions over the internet, makes it easy for small arms dealers to buy and resell these weapons, the favorites of terrorists, criminals, and drug dealers. We dont want American criminals to have these weapons. Lets not loose them on innocent civilians around the world. Say no to any loosening of any restrictions of exporting weapons. Dont be tone deaf to American values. Americans dont want more foreign threats, any more than we want more communities disrupted by gun violence. Make it harder for these terrorists to get guns, not easier. Keep cheap guns out of the hands of these bullies. Keep American government workers, international corporate workers, and tourists safe from criminals. People over profit.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-181p Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1019

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: susan dickerson

General Comment

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business).[1] This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

WE NEED TO BAN ALL SEMI, AUTOMATIC WEAPONS, BUMP STOCKS AND ASSAULT RIFLES/GUNS AND BUY BACK ALL OF THESE WEAPONS OF WAR.

Our country is being destroyed by guns. For the lives of the people, please do not pass this rule change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-mmpd Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1020

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Suzanne Saul

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018
Tracking No. 1k2-942r-sv65
Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1021

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: James Roberts

General Comment

Recently proposed, suggestion is a tragedy to humankind- expanding USAs reputation as merchant of death to civilians. Bad enough America is already known for it in military weapons.

Gun manufactures, NRA and others are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business).[1] This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

Everything coming out of this administration- coal to soybeans, to auto parts, to steel is labeled national security when true be told its corporate socialism and another white collar federally funded jobs program.

Export of weapons (all types, make, model, purpose) need to remain with State department not commerce.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-pm1m Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1022

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: John Keiser

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

Please take action to help make America and the world a safer place.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-ieu7 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1023

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change. It is unnecessary and not smart. Good for criminals only. Is this what we want to encourage unlimited bad guys with unlimited weapons with unlimited power? Some rules were not meant to be changed. It takes wisdom to know that. It takes conscience to act upon it and stand up for what is correct.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-lysr Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1024

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Marissa Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this change that would switch the regulation of firearms export from the US State Dept to the US Commerce Dept.

As a conservative, I am not against domestic gun sales, but I am against terrorism, and I feel strongly that national protection is more important than a few bucks of profit. We cannot let gun sales happen to foreign countries without tight regulation, and the US Commerce dept simply does not have the resources to adequately police foreign gun sales.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-zzkg Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1025

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Susan Briggs

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. Firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

This rule would also remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms, made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-68pz Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1026

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Rinya Frisbie

General Comment

I am strongly opposed to the proposed rule change that would transfer the oversight of non-military firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. The proposed rule is supported by the NRA and the only purpose is to increase the profits for the US gun industry--one that loosing support in the USA. The only entity that is requesting this change is the gun lobby and it expects this change will increase firearms exports by 20%. This will put more guns in the hands of terrorists around the world. It is even more dangerous because it moves supervision and oversize to an agency that prioritizes business over national security. The U.S. Congress would also lose its ability to oversee commercial weapons sales of \$1 million or more; this makes no sense. This seems like one more attempt to legitimize semiautomatic assault rifles as civilian products when these battlefield weapons have killed too many civilians already. Please do not approve this blatant corporate giveaway. The world does not need more instruments of mass killing--only the gun lobby would think this is a good idea. We the people are watching as you make these decisions. Please make them wisely as you will be accountable.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-29zh Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1027

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Robert Hamm

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-zte9 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1028

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Teresa Freedman

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-48oe Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1029

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Frank Hannwacker

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms exports from the U.S State Dept. to the U.S Commerce Dept.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-ojz4 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1030

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-zn53 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1031

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Megan Condit-Chadwick

General Comment

I strongly oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Congress needs oversight of arms sales in order to ensure that the U.S. is not arming countries with human rights violations and those that may threaten our national security. The ban on 3D printing of weapons also needs to stay in place. Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-99i8 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1032

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Natalie Blasco

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

I am opposed to this change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-ezaa Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1033

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: John Catherine

General Comment

To Whom It May Concern:

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The proposed rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place for the following reasons:

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
2. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
3. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Thank you for your considerations.

Sincerely,

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-bmgi Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1034

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Margie Wagner

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. We don't need to arm the world; we already have enough problems with firearms and gun violence in our own country. How can we be assured that guns will be in the hands of those in the right rather than our enemies? Have we learned nothing from past mistakes with firearms? Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-6gty Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1035

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: nancy august

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Here are a few of the reasons why:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-qq7g Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1036

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

Here are details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

It would totally nullify the ability of the US to keep from arming dangerous foreign nationals, thereby making attacks on US soil far more likely.

This stupid idea to enrich the already rich arms dealers boggles the imagination!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-gwya Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1037

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joyce D

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department

would

facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and

terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-8gii Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1038

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. It is unwise to increase access to these weapons domestically or internationally. I very much oppose this rule change as it would do much more harm than good.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-mthb Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1039

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: winn wilson

General Comment

I urge the Commerce and State Departments to oppose relaxing rules that would make it easier for U.S. firearm manufacturers to export assault rifles and other guns, with less oversight and accountability. With gun violence killing 1,000 people around the world every day, we should be making it harder, not easier, to export U.S. made weapons of war.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-gmo2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1040

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jairo Angulo

General Comment

The Founding Fathers never intended for the average citizen to have semi-automatic and fully automatic guns.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-vmpg Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1041

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sue Summerfield

General Comment

We do not need semiautomatic guns in the hands of everyone! There are already too many guns in the hands of irresponsible individuals. Stop the nonsense! Think Compassion!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-sr6h Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1042

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jessica Johnston-Walsh

General Comment

I am totally opposed to changing regulations of gun sale/exports from the U.S.State Dept. to the U.S. Commerce Dept. It would be against security for our country!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-kgos Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1043

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Pat Dingleberry

General Comment

I think moving control of international firearms sales from the State Dept. to the Dept. of Commerce would be a huge mistake, especially because Congress would be out of the loop and this could have serious complications for the international community.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-grzu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1044

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joyce Sanseverino

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Y

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-k082 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1045

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lucy Sommer

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

For God's sake, don't do this. It is a disaster in the making.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-myt8 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1046

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Elizabeth Karen Bates

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-50qh Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1047

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Margaret Quinlan

General Comment

I strenuously oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-6wri Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1048

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: laura harness

General Comment

Please keep arms regulations under the DOS to keep the world a safer place. Unregulated arms sales will increase violence in the world therefore increasing immigrants seeking asylum, such as those from central America. The commerce dept is focused on profit and isn't the appropriate organization to regulate arms sales.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-w75y Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1049

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Pat Annoni

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

I STRONGLY oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-vnpw Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1050

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kerry Krebill

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Other very scary aspects of this change are:

- It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
- It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
- It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe. This alone is REALLY terrifying.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-t1mr Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1051

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Ben Indig

General Comment

I am writing in opposition to a proposed rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business). This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

Please do not make the primary focus of international arms sales into an effort to increase American exports of firearms to help American businesses. The primary issue here is and should remain the military consequences of such export sales. As such, the State Department should continue to be in charge of such export licences.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-cptb Comments Due: July 09, 2018
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Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1052

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Amy Dewey

General Comment

I oppose switching the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-z5j5 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1053

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joseph Barboza

General Comment

I oppose this proposed rule change... the Commerce Department absolutely should not be regulating international arms sales, period. That is the worst idea to come out of the administration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-3yf9 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1054

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Elizabeth Connors-Keith

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S.

Commerce Department. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons

sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau

of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist

organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-5ejm Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1055

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: p perry

General Comment

Guns are not the answer to our ills. Please think twice before doing this.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-myi3 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1056

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Janet Smarr

General Comment

I strongly oppose the transfer of licensing semiautomatic and other high-powered weapons exports from the U.S. State Department, which is focused on safeguarding our nation, to the U.S. Commerce Department, which is focused on promoting American sales. This would obviously greatly increase the unregulated sale of dangerous weapons to organized crime, tyrannical regimes, and terrorist organizations, making us all less safe. These gun sales would increase the violence that is causing mass migrations and the problems that entails for countries (here or in Europe) that are confronted with large numbers of refugees fleeing violence. Firearms are quite rightly categorized as military, and their export needs to be carefully restrained, not encouraged. Gun companies will profit; everyone else will be seriously harmed.

The proposed transfer would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking to criminal and terrorist purchasers. The Commerce Department does not have the means to check on and enforce regulations on the sale of weapons all over the globe. There will be a free-for-all of arms sales to the people and groups most dangerous to global peace and stability.

Furthermore, the proposed transfer would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. Once instructions for how to 3D print weapons were posted online, the State Department successfully charged the person posting that with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe. More lethal weapons in the wrong hands mean more deaths of good and innocent folk. The proposed transfer of weapon exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department is totally irresponsible and extremely dangerous to the safety of everyone. I strongly urge you to oppose this proposed change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-goxr Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1057

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: J Robuck

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-bu84 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1058

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Christina Sullivan

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-glfo Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1059

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Georgia Shankel

General Comment

People in my family have dies from gunshot wounds. People are murdered everyday in the City of Chicago. I hear gunshots at night after I go to bed or while I'm watching TV. This has to stop.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-w91v Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1060

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Joseph Lawson

General Comment

The regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. It must not happen!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-st71 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1061

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lauren vreeland long

General Comment

Firearms exports must stay within the state dept and not the commerce dept where it will not have oversight.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-7c5f Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1062

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: John Zimmermann

General Comment

I write regarding the pending plan to switch the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department

This is a bad idea that would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

This rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place for several reasons. First, it would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. Secondly it would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. Third, it would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms.

When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe. That cannot be good.

Please do not allow the regulation of firearms exports to be taken away from the State Department, such a move would be enormously irresponsible and damaging to the safety of these United States. Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-xo7x Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1063

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: A Patterson

General Comment

I oppose the rule change switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. That rule change would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. Please do NOT change it.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942r-cxuo Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1064

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: David Soares

Organization: none

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

HERES THE LOW DOWN: Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018
Tracking No. 1k2-942s-1z2d
Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1065

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kae Bender

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The U.S. State Department focuses on safeguarding our nation whereas the U.S. Commerce Department focuses on promoting American business. Clearly the concern of firearms in the wrong hands is of fundamental concern to the State Department, whereas the Commerce Department would only want to sell more arms abroa. We must insist that the security of our nation take precedence over the profits of some arms providers.

Firearms exports are rightly classified as military" and blocking sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries is a reasonable control to prevent the unleashing of weapons into the hands of those who could cause serious harm to human rights, international relations, or even our own national security. Further, commercial export of large caches of American guns and ammunition could make it too easy for firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents to obtain enough weapons to wreak havoc around the world. These are serious concerns.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. Exporting firearms should be subject to more controls, not less! The Commerce Dept. is NOT ready or able to maintain the stringent controls and oversight that is needed to keep weapons trade restricted enough to handle export licensing, shipment inspections, and other appropriate restrictions on the types, quantities, and categories of firearms exports.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-sl87 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1066

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Carol Olivier

General Comment

I reject changing from state dept to commerce department regulation of international gun sales.
Everything we do destabilizes the world with violence.it is unconscionable to sell more weapons.
Sincerely Carol Olivier

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-ulio Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1067

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Steven Boss

General Comment

Don't allow the NRA to dictate what is best for our national interests with this new proposed rule. It will only make the world less safe in the end. So please reject this rule.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-do6t Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1068

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Connie Marquez

General Comment

We need more controls over guns and weapons, and fewer of them.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-khcv Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1069

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Faye Soares

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-ni6g Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1070

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Maryellen Redish

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-s5bi Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1071

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Cathleen Scharosch

General Comment

No sale of firearms to foreign countries!!

No change of firearm management from US State Dept to US Commerce Dept!!

There is no common sense in making any of these changes.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-9a1x Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1072

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Bree M

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The proposed rule would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. The risk of trafficking would increase because there would no longer be licensing requirements for brokers.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

This rule would create more unnecessary chaos and violence.

Keep more controls on guns, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-8z8n Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1073

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mary Kissane

General Comment

I strongly oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place.

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
2. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
3. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

All of these changes will make the world more dangerous and our country less secure. Please do not enact this rule change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-t0v7 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1074

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: donnasue jacobi

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. those guns will only be used against USA citizens -- try to get a handle on safety.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-fvyj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1075

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Betty Kissilove

General Comment

I very strongly oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with very serious implications for our national security.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-l8g5 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1076

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jennifer Dingman

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. Please keep the regulations of firearm export under the responsibility of the U.S. State Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-s53s Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1077

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Andrew Aguiar

General Comment

We dont need more commerce involving the gun trade!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-s9uc Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1078

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Francis Fedoroff

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Guns are weapons not commodities. Gun sales require special oversight.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-cjj8 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1079

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kathy Yeomans

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less! Guns have only one use and that is to kill.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-3tru Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1080

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Edward Esler

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. I oppose any rule change here.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-2yct Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1081

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: William Maynard

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-gp37 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1082

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: robert keenan

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-perh Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1083

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kathleen Smaluk-Nix

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-1x33 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1084

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Bart Ryan

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere.

This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms.

When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Also...

More guns against America is more guns against America, no matter how thinly or big you slice it for Republicans or for Democrats. Even the Trump administration should realize how destructive and dangerous this really is.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-4h0s Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1085

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kim Myers

General Comment

I strongly oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. How many more people have to be gunned down in the world or will it take the murder of someone in your family for it to finally hit home! I am trying to raise my 7 and 8 year old granddaughters, and if I could move to any other country to escape what is happening to America, I surely would. I do not want to raise them where going to school has become deadly. I am embarrassed to be an American. It is only about the money anymore.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-zfry Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1086

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Rene Maas

General Comment

Hi I am a regular working mom whose kids are grown - so I don't worry about them in school now. However, if the State Department gives up control of gun and ammunition sales around the world, there is a terrible tragedy waiting to happen in another country with guns from the US. The State Department has more resources to track large sales and shipments and to keep Congress informed of these developments.

Please keep tracking of worldwide gun sales within the State Department - to keep us and the world safer.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-z7k8 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1087

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jeffrey Greif

General Comment

Firearms exports should continue be classified as "military" and remain under the control of the Department of State. I oppose the proposed rule change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-7lnq Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1088

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch regulations of firearms export from US State Department to US Commerce Department. No! We have too many guns and gun deaths here in the US already.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-bvck Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1089

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lowell Richardson

General Comment

Why would we switch the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department? Our government should not be in the business of promoting lethal firearm sales around the world. We should reducing

We must limit firearms exports to oppressive regimes, not encourage them. We must strengthen safeguards that help keep organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, not weaken them.

Why would our government eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them?

One good example of the danger of unregulated gun sales is the rampant smuggling of guns across the Mexican border. The vast amount of weapons easily available across the boarder, sourced from unregulated American gun shows has turned Mexico into a killing field. We do not need to promote the same death and destruction in other parts of the world by removing licensing requirements for brokers.

And removing the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms BY transferring the authority to the Department of Commerce is simply ridiculous.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-j29i Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1090

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jennifer Zwick

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-rux5 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1091

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Tom Secco

General Comment

Do not transfer export license responsibility for semiautomatic weapons etc. to the Commerce Dept. Sane rational people who have foreign policy interests as the basis of their decision making must be in control not the expedient mercenary interests like the NRA that dominate the Commerce Dept. Their licensing practices would help create violence on a massive global basis, all based on the love of money and their appetite for violence. Stop this movement away from prudence and reason.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-6oh4 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1092

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Maria Diaz

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Currently, firearms exports are classified as Military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far less hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

The following details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place concerns me:

- It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program (in place since 1940), which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

- It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

- It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

Again, I oppose the rule change because of all the dangers posed; it would make it easier for U.S. gun manufacturers to export firearms.

Please take action to help make our country and our world a safer place.
Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-4llc Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1093

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Martha White

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-5r4g Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1094

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jim Yarbrough

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulation of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This rule change would dangerously reduce control and oversight of firearms. Firearms export should continue to be regulated by U.S. State Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-ik0p Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1095

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Maureen Knutsen

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-n8up Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1096

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mary Beth Osnes

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-cs02 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1097

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Dennis Alanen

Organization: none

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-ojpp Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1098

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Samantha Turetsky

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-cw5d Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1099

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Dennis Bricker

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-m9pj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1100

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Carolyn Lilly

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department!

Stop the carnage of our children and all people! You have the power and therefore the responsibility!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-9zo1 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1101

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Laurie Meisenheimer

General Comment

I can't even imagine that anyone who has followed the human carnage that arms dealers bring could even think of moving the regulation of selling of firearms from the US State Department to the Dept of Commerce. This is actually even worse than the other dozens of horrible things that have been proposed lately. Its worse than helping the ice caps melt.Its worse than drilling in the artic or putting lobbyists in charge of regulating pollution. Nothing is worse for individual suffering than more firepower. Dont even think about it!!!!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-8e6p Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1102

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Virgil Pauls

General Comment

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business). This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department

successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

Thank you for taking action to help make our country and our world a safer place.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-jjq6 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1103

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sandra Goettling

General Comment

I think giving the gun industry, the right to sell arms internationally, without the state department overseeing the sales is a gobal disaster waiting to happen. Military weapons should only be sold to the military, not citizens.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-z7va Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1104

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Charles Kleymeyer

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-ujzk Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1105

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: jef weisel

General Comment

keep state department in charge of export licenses for weapons, especially semi- and automatic weapons!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-14im Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1106

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mary Alice Lo Cicero

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Further the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
2. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
3. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-8b2k Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1107

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Gail Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-dewa Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1108

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lisa Krausz

General Comment

Currently, firearms exports are classified as military. Thus, they are regulated by the State Department. The advantage of the current regulatory system is that Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries, including countries with human rights abuses. With the proposed rule change addressed here, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, again, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. This situation would be problematic because it would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. Further, it would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe, again, posing a serious threat to both national security and potential human rights abuses around the globe. For these reasons, I am against the proposed rule change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-ubl3 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1109

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Barbara Holcomb

General Comment

The US is already one of the largest exporters of weapons. Please do not make this world more violent by enacting the proposed rule .

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-xo6b Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1110

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Gena DiLabio

General Comment

I strongly oppose switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department because it would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. The proposed rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Please keep the regulation of firearms under the control of the State Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-jw49 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1111

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Margie Zalesak

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-8sli Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1112

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nancy Borelli

General Comment

Do not change the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. The Commerce Department is not equipped to provide oversight of firearms exports. There would be an enormous risk of weapons getting into the hands of dangerous entities, and the world would be a much more dangerous place. Keep the regulation of exported firearms under the watchful eye of the State Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-hqvl Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1113

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Bruce Ente

General Comment

I strongly oppose the proposed rule that would shift responsibility for oversight of international arms sales from the Department of State to the Department of Commerce. Widespread export of military grade weapons outside the U.S. poses a serious and credible threat to national security, meaning control should be vested in the State Department not in the Commerce Department whose primary interest is business expansion and profitability. In addition, it is clear that the Commerce Department has neither the staffing levels nor the expertise required to monitor and manage arms sales abroad.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-l4ou Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1114

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Beth Levin

General Comment

switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-ye5x Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1115

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sue Whitlock

General Comment

ARE YOU CRAZY?!?! You want semi-automatic machine guns and other military guns in ANYBODY'S hands?!?! We would have no more national security and a lot of people would get killed!! Do not pass this!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-298i Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1116

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. This is an all around bad idea that would make everyone less safe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-ostj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1117

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Diana Walker

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-plhp Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1118

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-pszn Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1119

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Dan Anonymous

General Comment

The Trump/Pence fascist regime must go!!!!!! In the name of humanity we refuse to accept a fascist America.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-9yhu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1120

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anne Edwards

General Comment

Dear committee:

I am Anne Edwards a resident of California. The export of U.S. made firearms is not a wise or ethical commercial business. Oversight belongs in the U.S. State Department. It is already shameful and frightening enough to have our American people and our new US immigrants shot down by weapons poorly regulated here in the mainland United States. If we allow the export of guns to become a commercial enterprise and not a State Department peace regulated issue, we push more violence on others and ourselves.

"I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Sincerely,

Anne S. Edwards.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-7kpa Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1121

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Deborah Meckler

General Comment

I oppose moving the regulation of overseas gun sales from the State Department to the Commerce Department. Guns are for killing people. They are not commodities to be sold like soybeans. They are ugly, killing machines. They should NOT be treated as if they were harmless merchandise. Why are we as a nation promoting killing?

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-m6nj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1122

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anne Jackson

General Comment

WE HAVE FAR TOO MANY GUNS ALREADY .. DO NOT CHANGE THEIR REGULATIONS
FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT TO THE COMMERCE DEPARTMENT !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-t058 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1123

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nancy Dawson

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. With the rule

change,

Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition. It would eliminate the State Department's Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Department's block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe

Sincerely,

Nancy Dawson

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-zyor Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1124

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nancy Dickson

General Comment

Please do not open the flood gates of weapon sales to all outside the United States which is what would happen if this became a 'business/commerce' decision rather than, as is the case now, your decision. We should not become arms sellers to the world - including terrorists and oppressive regimes. There are enough weapons in the world already to kill everyone many times over. Let's not make our country the one to add to this.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-claq Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1125

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Martin Watts

General Comment

Believe it or not , NOBODY else on Earth wants to be like the US ! Especially regarding gun laws !
Time the government became a lot more like the rest of the human race , and BANNED GUNS from the public !!!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-rjxd Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1126

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lois Zeidman

General Comment

I am strongly opposed to the change of oversight of international gun sales. The Department of State, NOT the Department of Commerce, is the Department that currently is in charge of this and should continue to be to overseeing Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-2jpp Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1127

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Linda Premo

General Comment

I oppose this new rule that will change the export of firearms from the US State Department to the US Commerce Department!!!!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-qms3 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1128

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Wood

General Comment

I am strongly opposed to the proposal to change the regulation of firearm sales from the state department to the department of commerce. A move like this would likely destabilize many other countries and places in the world by providing easier access to firearms with fewer regulations on who can purchase them and for what purpose. Firearm sales outside of the US are military deals and should be regulated and controlled tightly. I believe the state department is better equipped and prepared to provide this regulation than the commerce department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-rohj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1129

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I am writing to strongly oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This switch would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration:

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
2. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
3. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

This rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place, and I urge you to decide against it. Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-d9jf Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1130

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Walter Bishop

General Comment

The arms that are sold are used to kill people. Charlie Chaplin made the movie, "The Great Dictator" in 1940 as a satire on dictators and war. President Eisenhower warned of the military/industrial complex. This change is to make arms sales easier on the international market for the arms companies profits and the worlds determent.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-o4bj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1131

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jorge De Cecco

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Thanks for rejecting this proposed rule.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-7ez7 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1132

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Ruth Sugerman

General Comment

My understanding is that most of the guns and ammunition in Mexico and other Central American countries come from the U S. Anything that increases this flow of arms to gangs and cartels will send more asylum seekers this way. We must be more responsible about arming criminals abroad.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-dm54 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1133

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Georgeanne Matranga

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Thank you for your attention to my profoundly grave concerns.

Sincerely,
Georgeanne Matranga

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-pgwh Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1134

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Dr. Demian

General Comment

DO NOT change the U.S. State Department rules regarding firearms exported from America.
DO NOT allow the U.S. Commerce Department to have control of exports.

Thank you.

Dr. Demian

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-14mi Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1135

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-1v3q Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1136

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jenny Stanley

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-m2qy Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1137

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Amy Anderson

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

These weapons cause loss of life here at home in the US & we do not need to put them in the hands of possible terrorists or others with an agenda against the US. So many groups around the world would immediately use the weapons not for defense but for offense, to support causes the US does not support & take innocent lives. Let's not make it easier for them to get their hands on our weapons!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-dun1 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1138

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Marilyn McClure

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. As a nation, we have already exported so many firearms to Mexico and Central America, that we are ruining their societies, making them more violent each day. I know with our present administration and their focus on money-making for the US, to move this to the Commerce Department would do this in so many other countries, as well. We must stop this harmful practice!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942s-wq8q Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1139

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mary Lindsay

General Comment

I oppose the proposed rule change that would switch the regulation of arms sales from the State Department to the Commerce Department. The US serves as a model by utilizing the special resources of the State Department to assure that arms exports are legal and dont result in international arms sales that may support rogue operators and illegal or terrorist activities abroad. State Department regulation of international arms sales helps assure that this unique type of commerce aligns with American foreign policy. The Commerce Department lacks the expertise and resources needed to provide this same type of oversight.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-9pkq Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1140

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jonathan Boyne

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-qwwwx Comments Due: July 09, 2018
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Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1141

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jean King

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

This change would

1. eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
2. remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
3. remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. The rule switch would effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the world.

Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-ea7v Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1142

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: phillip pierce

General Comment

do not change the rules just for the NRA !!!!!!!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mark Setterberg

General Comment

Please do not move firearms registration/sales from the US State Department to the Commerce Department. The State Department is much better equipped to handle this task.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: RedLion York

General Comment

Howdy,

Switching the responsibility for overseeing weapons sales from the State Dept to the Commerce Dept is a bad idea for these reasons:

- a) It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
- b) It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
- c) It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

The world is dangerous enough. We don't need this change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1145

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Stephanie Wellemeyer

General Comment

Moving handling of export licensing of weapons shipped overseas from the Department of State to the Department of Commerce would flood the world with military type weapons. Organized crime and terrorist would have almost unrestricted access to high firepower weaponry. Violence prone dictatorships, and countries with few or no human rights protections could indiscriminately murder more of their citizens. Congress would not be automatically informed of large firearms shipments that it may have good reason to ban. Commerce doesn't have the staff or the training to carry out pre-license and post-shipment inspections and submit the required reports. It would also remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the possibility of trafficking, and it would remove the block on 3D printing of firearms. In effect, this would allow anyone with a 3D printer to produce lethal weapons.

Firearms are deadly. They are used to kill people every day, around the world, in acts of political violence, terrorism, organized crime and human rights violations. They must be subject to more controls, not fewer.

I strenuously oppose the rule change that would switch regulation of firearms export from the Department of State to the Department of Commerce.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-bgo9 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1146

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. In my opinion, this is a bad decision that could have implications affecting our national security, and should be rejected outright.

Thank you for your time,

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jo Coscia

General Comment

I oppose the switch of regulation of firearm sales from the state department to the commerce department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1148

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Phillip Crider Jr

General Comment

This particular change could potentially create a threat to United States national security.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-lw09 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1149

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Gerri Battistessa

General Comment

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business). This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
2. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
3. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-h2wj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1150

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Arlene Thomas

General Comment

Allowing arms sales outside of the US via the Commerce Dept. is much more of a threat to our national security than small children at our borders. This change further endangers our country...as have so many things proposed by this administration. Out of country arms sales should be regulated with legislative oversight as is currently the case. Do NOT allow this rule change to go forward.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1151

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

Please do not transfer regulation of international arms sales to the Commerce department. The last thing we need is more international weapons trade. You know many of the guns will end up in the wrong hands and come back to bite us.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-3zuu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1152

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mary Peery

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. To do otherwise endangers all human beings and leaves the U.S. open to huge liability issues.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-jhyj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1153

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Andrea Bonnett

General Comment

I oppose this rule that would switch regulations from the US State Department to the Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-5u9h Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1154

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jean Schwinberg

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The U.S. Commerce Department is focused on promoting American business, not on safeguarding the nation, which is the responsibility of the U.S. State Department. This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-taiw Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1155

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Susan Mach

General Comment

The handling of export licenses for gun sales needs to stay in the hands of the State Department. The Commerce Department has no business dealing with this issue!

If we allow the NRA to manipulate these changes, the following issues arise:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Please DO NOT allow these dangerous changes to be bought by a group that is not looking out for the welfare of this country, nor the world!

Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-19sp Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1156

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Bruce Peery

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. To do otherwise endangers all human beings and leaves the U.S. open to huge liability issues.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1157

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: David Harrison

General Comment

I oppose this rule change. This transfer of authority from State to Commerce would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1158

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Wallis Anonymous

General Comment

We are responsible for so much terrorism around the world because of weapons. Turn off the spigots of murder, kidnapping, from Central America, and the world. Bad legislation, which will increase terrorism for all good people of Earth.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-cilx Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Gale Green

General Comment

Please do not put the sales of guns in the hands of the U.S. Dept. of Commerce. It is far too big of a responsibility for the people there to be expected to make life and death decisions on the fate of dangerous weapons.

In reality, the responsibility of a governing body is much more in line with reining in the rampant gun industry that threatens the lives of men, women and children everywhere. There needs to be sober thought and discussion before ever risking the lives of many who encounter the dangerous side of weapon proliferation. God be with you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1160

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kathy Magne

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. A move like this will make the world much more dangerous. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

- * It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
- * It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
- * It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1161

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Arturo Urista

General Comment

I OPPOSE the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Presently, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as Turkey and the Philippines.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far less hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

- It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program (in place since 1940), which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

- It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

- It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized

crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

Again, I oppose the rule change because of all the dangers posed; it would make it easier for U.S. gun manufacturers to export firearms.

Keep America, our country and our world a safer place!

Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1162

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Margaret Stofsky

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The world does not need any more American guns!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-9g2w Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1163

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1164

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: anonymous anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1165

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Marilyn Ichioka

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security.

The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1166

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mo Kafka

Organization: 262-B Bradford St.

General Comment

Thank you for considering this important concern. Currently, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

It is essential that this rule not be changed as it will not benefit national security or international relations and it will make the world a more dangerous place.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-rljn Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1167

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Onishea Aguilera

General Comment

I myself love guns but I do not support these weak gun laws and I never will support the crooked NRA!!!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1168

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sean Kelly

General Comment

I strongly oppose shifting firearms oversight from the State Department to the Commerce Department. Streamlining and encouraging the sale of firearms, and reducing inspections and enforcement, is solidly AGAINST the interests of the U.S.:

Internationally, high firearm availability correlates strongly with high firearm violence and fatalities. Making firearms more available WITHIN the U.S. by putting less scrutiny on shipments is the OPPOSITE of what we need to do in a climate of increasing criminal shooting acts.

Many of the most pressing international crises, from conflict in the middle east to the migration crisis from Central America, are fueled by violence utilizing American-made weapons. By making it easier to get American firearms abroad, we are only jeopardizing our OWN national interests.

While it is ultimately impossible to outright prevent individuals from acquiring information to design and/or manufacture firearms and components via 3D printing techniques, it is senseless to remove existing barriers to doing so. More firearms of questionable quality in the hands of more people with questionable training is an absolute recipe for disaster.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1169

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Patricia Always

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-83df Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1170

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mark Bernard

General Comment

I urge prevention of this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Guns are of killing people, and this is a national security issue, and not just some trade issue.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-qxx5 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1171

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Philip Shook

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-grj4 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1172

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Susan Pasternack

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-x60b Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1173

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Pete Wilson

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe. Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-9yri Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1174

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anne Gunderson

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-t4on Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1175

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Max Nupen

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-k0d3 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1176

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nancy Lemmon

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. It seems IRRESPONSIBLE to hand over such a sensitive matter to our national security to a body focused on commerce.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-jtzd Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1177

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Amy Cervene

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-qgg3 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1178

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose the change of regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. I feel this would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Firearms are not a mere commodity and need the oversight of the State Department as they are a national security concern.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-g7nf Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1179

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mary Bissell

General Comment

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

- 1.) It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
- 2.) It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
- 3.) It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-j9og Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1180

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: John Malcolm

General Comment

Great idea. Let's sell our enemies the weapons they need to use against us. As long as someone is making money, it should be OK (?) Are you out of your goddamned minds?

This is a legitimate question.

John L. Malcolm

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-6usb Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1181

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Thomas Diehl

General Comment

Firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-p4gr Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1182

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Ron Unger

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

This is a blatant attempt to hide weapons sales from public oversight and to bypass existing controls over weapons exports which benefit no one on earth except the owners of the weapons manufacturing companies.

This rule change is not in the best interest of the people inside or outside of America and should not be approved.

We need less proliferation of weapons around the world, not more. This proposed rule change will result in more death and destruction and physical and psychological damage with no benefit to anyone except a few who will profit handily from the increased sales.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-ddqy Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1183

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Marjorie Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-gv8d Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1184

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Colleen McGlone

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-o3u0 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1185

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose changing the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. That change would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration, making the world a far more dangerous place. The Commerce Department is not equipped to manage the global security issues that the rule change would cause.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-1bpx Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1186

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mary Mobley

General Comment

We MUST stop these guns that are killing our children! NOW!!!!!!!!!!!!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-1lmt Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1187

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Wendy Walker

General Comment

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

Please do not allow this to happen. BAD idea.

Wendy Walker

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-kj83 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1188

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Montie Richards

General Comment

I strongly oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for national security. Weapons could be sold even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey, and I understand Congress would no longer be automatically notified so it could stop such sales. Firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-bddb Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1189

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: ELLIOT PLINER

General Comment

I OPPOSE THIS RULE CHANGE THAT WOULD SWITCH THE REGULATIONS OF FIREARMS EXPORT FROM THE U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT TO THE U.S. COMMERCE DEPARTMENT.

THE COMMERCE DEPARTMENT DOES NOT HAVE THE RESOURCES TO ADEQUATELY ENFORCE EXPORT CONTROLS.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018
Tracking No. 1k2-942t-zmw9
Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1190

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I urge the Commerce and State Departments to oppose relaxing rules that would make it easier for U.S. firearm manufacturers to export assault rifles and other guns, with less oversight and accountability. With gun violence killing 1,000 people around the world every day, we should be making it harder, not easier, to export U.S. made weapons of war.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-bs2l Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1191

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Matthew Boguske

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-hpba Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1192

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Katy Paynich

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department because switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-awuq Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1193

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Justin Mebane

General Comment

This rule change will transfer regulation of foreign arms from the State Department to the Commerce Department - which does not have the resources necessary to keep track of these sales. This would be a major threat to our national security and fuel instability in other countries - increasing migration to the US. This rule needs to be rejected immediately.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942t-c0hb Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1194

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Michael Olesvary

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Military equipment could very well end up in the hands of people we'd rather not have them.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942u-kene Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1195

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Miriam Dunbar

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942u-99es Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1196

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Craig Emerick

General Comment

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

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3. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense

Distributed founder Cody

Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

Thank you for taking action to help make our country and our world a safer place.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942u-o01r Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1197

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Elliot Ross

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942u-yy53 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1198

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Donia Connell

General Comment

The NRA only cares about making a buck. This switch could and most likely would benefit terrorist groups being funded by corrupt countries.

If the NRA gets their wish, all the countries we've unjustifiably attacked, who with good cause now hate us are certain to have top of the line weapons to kill us with.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942u-63me Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1199

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Robert Heisler

General Comment

Arms sales need to be even more restricted and regulated, not less. US arms sales are contributing to massive terrorism and human rights abuse because of our loose oversight.

.The American people are sick of the control the NRA has over the legislators who swore to protect and uphold the will of the American people. The NRA is and operates as a criminal syndicate with the republican party as it's paid agent in congress.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942u-mm31 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1200

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Linda Wasserman

General Comment

Please do not change the rules about allowing guns into this country. Do not bow to the NRA, You Republicans have done enough of that . I guess you enjoy people getting killed in this country/ another way you are ruining it/only making your pockets great !Shame Shame on Republicans!! History will tell what you have done to this country to ruin it. Linda W RN MN

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942u-rrhh Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1201

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: robert moeller

General Comment

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business).[1] This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

I OPPOSE THIS PROPOSED CHANGE.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1202

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: S Phillips

General Comment

Guns are danger and kill humans. They should not be exported to other countries and risk being obtained illegally through the black market for terrorists and others to obtain them. The safety of humanity is more important than financial gain.

Please do not allow a change in these rules.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1203

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Carol Lapetino

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942u-eqjp Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1204

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Robert Hall

General Comment

I strongly OPPOSE changing the classification of selling firearms to foreign countries that would switch such sales from the US State Dept. to the US Commerce Dept.

Selling weapons to other countries is not selling a commodity, like wheat; it is selling lethality and this needs the continued oversight of the State Dept.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1205

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Deborah Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942u-7zlv Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1206

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anne Ryland-Anderson

General Comment

I oppose any regulation change Regarding the administration of export of guns change over to the Commerce Department. This is definitely something that needs to be under the State department. This is a crucial matter regarding foreign affairs. This is not a commercial matter. To keep our country safe from terrorism and organized crime our state department has always been and should continue to be the correct governing body to regulate export and overseeing a gun sales.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1207

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Diana Morgan-Hickey

General Comment

Stop the promotion of guns in the United States or around the world-

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1208

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Andrew Reegen

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Keep the State Department in control of the regulation of firearm's exports.

Thank you

Andrew Reegen

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1209

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Shoshana Katz

General Comment

I understand that it is proposed to move the sale of assault rifles from the state department to the commerce department. If this is allowed to go through we will probably wind up supplying the world, especially all the wild crazies out there with the very best American arms. What happens when we have to send American soldiers to various parts of the world to rein in the crazies. Something is really wrong here.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1210

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Ann Peters

General Comment

I am greatly concerned about the proposed transfer of firearms sales to the Department of Commerce. More than ever before in the history of this nation, firearms are being sold and bought for military purposes, and used by repressive governments and paramilitary groups against their own citizens, not only dissidents but also residents of regions whose resources are being sold off to outside corporations. Gang-like power is proliferating. It is essential that firearms sales be regulated by the State Department, which is concerned about our international relations and the opinion held about the United States in other parts of the world. My own safety as a citizen depends on an improvement in our behavior as a nation.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1211

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anneliese Schultz

General Comment

I oppose any rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. I believe this would be an extremely dangerous, causing arms sales to vastly increase internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

If this change were made, firearms exports to oppressive regimes would be facilitated, safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons would be removed, and the violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration would be fueled!

Please oppose this terrible proposal, and help keep our country safe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942u-chgl Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1212

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Theodore Voth

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business). This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1213

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Janice Wilfing

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition. Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942u-9n69 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1214

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lesli Clements

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1215

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Elaine Fischer

General Comment

It is INSANE to sell guns to everyone and not expect them to be turned on us! Please do NOT loosen the rules for firearms export, just to allow for greedy Corporate Profit.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military (as they should be). This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1216

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Alex Escott

General Comment

Hi i am a Gun owner and I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. thankyou for reading

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1217

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lauren Schiffman

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less! I oppose the proposed changes.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942v-q48g Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1218

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Betty Winholtz

General Comment

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.

With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

But this is not just dangerous for people in other countries: weapons made here can be used against us by outsiders.

What are you thinking!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1219

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Stephanie Stout

General Comment

I do not want the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault rifles and other powerful military style firearms moved from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Regardless of how profitable the sales of more US made weapons would be to our firearms manufacturers, producing and selling more weapons to more nations of our violent planet would ultimately undermine US safety and security. Criminals and terrorists would use these additional weapons to prey upon Americans and our friends abroad and in our own country. There are already too many weapons loose in the world already. I am a retired US Army combat veteran, and I served to protect my country and our allies and friends, not to promote the profits of GREEDY multi-national corporations. Furthermore, our arms industry should be completely nationalized in order to produce necessary weapons and military equipment for our forces and those of our allies at lower cost and remove the profit motive for selling weapons of war.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1220

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: James Haguewood

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

Thank you for taking action to help make our country and our world a safer place.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942v-nxjr Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1221

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Clay Woody

General Comment

The gun industry is not content, it seems, with unleashing death and maiming on US citizens; now they want to export our violence--all in the name of greed.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1222

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Tiffany Freer

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1223

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Will Branch

General Comment

I oppose the proposed rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This change may be beneficial to American business, but it is detrimental to American security.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1224

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Antonio Suico

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1225

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: C Lenihan

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change the NRA is pushing for, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

In addition, the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1226

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jeanne Graffin

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military under the regulation of the State Department, and Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the proposed rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1227

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Doreen Cameron

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1228

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Harold Johnsen

General Comment

The CORRUPT and IDIOTIC proposal to switch the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes; would remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons; and would further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the CORRUPT and INCREDIBLY STUPID proposed rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The CORRUPT and DANGEROUS proposal to switch the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and PUBLICLY REPORTS on them.

The CORRUPT and DANGEROUS proposal would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. The CORRUPT and DANGEROUS proposal would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The CORRUPT and DANGEROUS proposal would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

The Pence and Trump Republican nation-robbing cabal is NOT TO BE TRUSTED! STOP this CORRUPT and DANGEROUS proposal NOW!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1229

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Stella Kostopoulos

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1230

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Barbara Johns

General Comment

We oppose this deal with the NRA. The NRA has no right to do this. We will continue to speak out and speak out we will. We demand answers right now. We demand the truth right now. This is a very big deal now. This is a very serious matter and issue right now. How does this make it safe? It does not make it safe. This will not go away anytime soon. Gun control has been a huge issue right now. The NRA has their hands in things they shouldn't have in. We don't have a safe America anymore. Our children don't feel safe in School anymore. How does this make it right? It does not make it right. We are here to make sure that our schools are safe. We are here to make sure that we feel safe outside of our homes whether it would be in parking lots, malls, movie theaters, churchs, walking, parks and play grounds. We need to make sure that everyday people don't have to fear for their lives anymore. Criminals and guns do not mix. Keep the guns off the streets. Guns are not toys. Guns are dangerous. Whatever happened to safety first? Whatever happened to respect and common sense? Whatever happened to morals and values? To many innocent lives have been taken already. Families of the victims are upset, angry and frustrated on how the NRA is truly acting. We are all upset on how the NRA is acting these days. It is truly unfair to us. It is unfair to the families that lost loved ones. We will keep making noise until things change for the better. Whatever happened to the gun laws? The laws that we have now don't even work anymore. We are looking out for the families that lost loved ones. No one else seems to care anymore! Why is that? We are very disappointed in our government and lawmakers. We don't want to see anymore innocent people killed. Is this to much to ask? Think is the children and the schools!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1231

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Edward LeBlanc

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1232

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nola Hansen

General Comment

I am opposed to the rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business).[1] This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security!

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]
It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the

Firearms are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less! We need to make the world a safer place. I am opposed to this rule change. Please dont do it. Our safety is more important than gun makers making more money.

[1] Trump move would make it easier for U.S. gun manufacturers to export firearms, The Washington Times, May 14, 2018.

[2] Trump wants to make foreign arms sales easier, The Boston Globe, June 23, 2018.

[3] Ibid., The Boston Globe

[4] American Guns Drive the Migrant Crisis That Trump Wants to Fix With a Wall, The Trace, May 25, 2017.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1233

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Dave Kisor

General Comment

Safety is not what the NRA and the gun industry are concerned with. It's sales. They don't care who shoots who, they only see their profit margin going through the roof. The only problem is there are already too many guns out there already. The only positive here is American weapons tend to jam more often than European and Asian weapons, so the American profit margin probably won't be as high as they would like. To that end, the American manufacturers will undoubtedly whine like babies about unfair competition. American manufacturers don't focus on efficiency, but rather mega sales; whereas, European and Asian manufacturers strive for efficiency. During WW2, the Luftwaffe had Rhinemetal design and build a 30MM cannon for their fighters that could take down a bomber with 5 to 7 rounds outside of the range of our 50 calibers and they did it. Bomber crews called it the Jackhammer and it terrified them. A Soviet Sergeant named Kalishnikov acquired a German machine gun on the Eastern front and made some modifications. It was used in the early part of the Korean Conflict and the Army wasn't concerned. After Shenyang got it and put a sealed receiver group in it, our Armed Forces became very concerned over this new weapon, that was to become the most widely used a popular weapon in the world today, the AK-47. Don't expect American weapons to replace that anytime soon.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1234

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Alan McKnight

General Comment

I strongly oppose the rule change that would move control of export licenses for firearms from the State Department to the Commerce Department. The Commerce Department is not equipped to prevent the sale of firearms to foreign countries where violence and crime and military conflict are rife. Semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms can destabilize these foreign regions and cause populations to flee across borders to save their lives. The State Department knows where arms should not be exported to, and it is responsible for protecting Americans from the impacts violence elsewhere, including organized crime, civil unrest and terrorism. The Commerce Department, on the other hand, is focused on promoting businesses, has little incentive to block sales, and lacks the staff to track hotspots where exporting firearms could be harmful and dangerous to our interests.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942v-xp3p Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1235

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mary McLaughlin Sta. Maria

General Comment

I oppose switching control of firearms from the State to the Commerce dept. Be ashamed if money is worth that to you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942v-j8b2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1236

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Diane Sparks

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1237

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Gloria Morrison

Organization: TMPA

General Comment

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PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1238

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: William Baker

General Comment

I am appalled at the idea of removing regulation of firearms exports, which would be the practical effect of having the Commerce Department "regulate" firearms sales. This opens the door to gun purchases by terrorists and repressive regimes, with no congressional oversight. Selling weapons to terrorists is a dumb way for gun manufacturers to make a buck, but obviously that's all they care about.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942w-r1uj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1239

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Susan Vanderborg

General Comment

Do not move the export licensing of assault weapons to Commerce. This is a military threat, not a regular business transaction.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942w-r1om Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1240

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: emilia novo

General Comment

Dear sirs:

I am appalled by the proposed rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department to the Commerce Department. This basically means that a set of controls to guarantee that American weapons would not end up in terrorists hands will disappear. This change would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. Think of a world where any terrorist bent on destroying the USA was easy access to American weapons. Is this the world you want to create?

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1241

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Linda Quinet

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security. Moving the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business) is the NRAs wildest dream and regular citizens worst nightmare.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1242

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Stephanie LAUENSTEIN

General Comment

I oppose this proposed rule for the following reasons:

Once the State Departments Blue Lantern program would be eliminated, the pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports we desperately need to be informed of, would also be gone.

Removing licensing requirements for brokers bears a great risk of increasing trafficking

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

The USA has more firearms than people. What for?

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1243

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Elaine Friedland

Organization: none

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1244

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Art Hanson

General Comment

I strongly oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1245

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: David Benson

General Comment

I strenuously oppose this proposed rule change

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942w-bbx7 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1246

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Timothy Beitel

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1247

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: peggy varnado

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. As a lifelong teacher, I know that we need more STRINGENT gun safety measures. A ploy to make it easier to sell guns and automatic weapons in particular is grotesque in light of the shootings that occur every few days in this country with ridiculously ineffective regulations on guns. How many more people have to die by gunfire to make the regulations tighter not more lax. Please show some courage and integrity and do not put arms regulations in the hands of the very businesses who profit from gun sales. My question is who thinks this is a good idea, who will profit from it, and why can't we get common sense gun laws in place before the next group of students, workers, first graders, movie goers, people walking down the streets of our nation are slaughtered with guns that have no place in civilian hands?

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1248

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Natasha Hopkins

General Comment

As a constituent concerned with both the security of our nation and the epidemic of gun violence plaguing America, I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department for the following reasons:

Firearms exports, at present, are classified as military hence the reason they are under the regulation of the State Department; and the reason Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns.

The Commerce Department does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

In order to ensure the security of our nation and to minimize gun-related tragedies, I urge the U.S. Department of State to abandon the proposed International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III rule.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942w-3cym Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1249

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Marie L

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Changing the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1250

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Pierre L

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Changing the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe. Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1251

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lena H

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Changing the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe. Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1252

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Changing the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe. Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1253

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

Trump wants to make it easier to export guns. Guns are dangerous; they kill people. There should be more controls, not less.

Therefore, I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulation of firearms export from the US State Department to the US Commerce Department.

The US Commerce Department is ill-equipped to handle the responsibility & the huge process.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1254

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Donald Goldhamer

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

Firearms are not mere commodities and the Commerce Department is unequipped to properly control their movement.

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1255

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Elizabeth Schroder

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less! I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942x-d6ck Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1256

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jim Weaver

General Comment

We need to limit the spread of weapons of war beyond our borders. This is a national security issue. Corporations seeking to profit from the sale of arms overseas are placing their profits before the American people. This is a clear threat to Americans everywhere.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942x-vamq Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1257

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: J.T. Smith

General Comment

Reality check: Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to far more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942x-v2ie Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1258

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Donna Minster, SSJ

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942x-v37o Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1259

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Cynthia Mastro

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would allow the Dept. of Commerce to regulate arms shipments.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942x-boyj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1260

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

Please keep the regulations on firearms strict and for the safety of citizens. As a matter of fact please tighten up loopholes. Moving the management of guns to another dept. focused on business is a bad move.

Where is the care and concern for citizen's rights, the right to feel safe in school, the right for those who have been physically threatened to be safe?

Let's get real and keep any regulations in place and increase safeguards where they are needed. For instance longer wait times for purchase while a thorough check is done. Stronger actions in response to online or other kinds of threats made regarding shooting. Let's protect our citizens!

Thanks for listening, Mindy

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942x-klch Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1261

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: John Cooper

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942x-jsi4 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1262

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Michael Dinowitz

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This transfer does almost nothing for the citizen while creating opportunity for industrial profit for the firearms industry and NRA. It also removes Congressional ability to oversee and help regulate fire arms sales.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.

With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

This rule change must be opposed and defeated for the safety of all people both in the US and the world.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942x-ox0g Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1263

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Greg Asbed

General Comment

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942x-jf0c Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1264

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lee Michelsen

General Comment

I am very concerned with proposed legislation to change the control of exporting firearms from the State Department to the Commerce Department. Some of the deleterious effects would be:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the glob

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1265

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Marie Pabianova

General Comment

I object to the latest proposal regarding firearms production and export!

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942x-phaz Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1266

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Elizabeth McCarney

General Comment

I am opposed to changing the way gun sales are regulated . I don't believe the dept .of commerce should be in chat get of selling military weapons throughout the world. I want congress and the American people to be aware of who's buying weapons from us and for what purposes.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1267

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jose Greco

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-4yox Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1268

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Janet Tyndall

General Comment

I strongly oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1269

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Tara Poelzing

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The State Department focuses on safeguarding our nation while the Commerce Department focuses primarily on promoting business.

In the case of firearms, safety should come first and foremost. The potential to move more weapons in the hands of additional dangerous people and regimes must be considered and immediately addressed.

This is the first and easiest step to avoid that situation. Oppose the rule change!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1270

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Carlos Cunha

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. It is clear that one of the reasons Mexico is having so many problems is because of the outflow of American firearms to the country. This rule change will facilitate the process in Mexico and other countries leading to more crime and more immigrants fleeing to the US.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-kj4p Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1271

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Paula Sjunneson

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

Thank you for taking action to help make our country and our world a safer place.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-q88q Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1272

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Wendi Smith

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-vjd3 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1273

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: E Resnik

General Comment

Keep gun sales under the Department of State for the safety of all Americans

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1274

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Gavi Stevens

General Comment

So now the NRA is trying to dictate foreign policy for our government and what to sell overseas. That is just how arrogant they are and how much they think they control this administration and Congress. This overreach by an organization that has grown into one that tries to control governments from the local to the national has to be stopped before they become the puppet master of our country. We can't allow an organization whose sole purpose is to put lethal weapons into the hands of as many people as possible to dictate policy to our leaders. Allowing increased exporting of assault weapons overseas just means that more insurgents will be using those weapons against us, our military forces and our allies forces, causing that many more deaths and injuries. Is that what you want to be known for? Allowing those young men to die or be wounded unnecessarily just to benefit one organization's lust for power? I can only hope not.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-5itt Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1275

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sarah Martin-Haynor

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-pcfe Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1276

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mary Kuck

General Comment

I strongly oppose this rule that will transfer the sale of arms from the State Department to the Commerce Department. Having lived in the Caribbean for 23 years, I see how the sale of illegal arms has created instability in these countries. If they can buy more legally, we will have created the violent situations that are causing the flow of immigrants to our country. If they cannot come to us, where will the victims of this violence go?

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

The State Department must continue to oversee the sale of arms, and not remove the restrictions above.

Thank you. Mary Kuck

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1277

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lucy Paschke

General Comment

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1278

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

The NRA is trying to pull another fast one, and we need all engaged and committed gun safety advocates to take the time to read through the details of this alert and take action!

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business).[1] This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

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As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-ln3h Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1279

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sarah McKee

General Comment

Sales of armaments are special. The only purpose of armaments is to kill people. At least, with State in charge of OKing arms sales abroad, it can nix sales to countries and people likely to kill the wrong people with them. This is in part because State knows who they are. So it has at least a tenuous ability to control arms sales likely to contribute to world destabilization.

Commerce has none of this capacity. It is concerned with profits to American companies, I believe. Well, sales of armaments are profitable -- to the armaments corporations. They of course are far less profitable to the resulting foreign dead.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1280

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jason Anonymous

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

The proposed rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-hu6s Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1281

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

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Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

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Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

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PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-q26h Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1282

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Margaret Heatherly

General Comment

You want more unregulated weapons to kill men, women and children. You want more unregulated weapons to cause death and destruction? You more more unregulated weapons to destabilize the world? You want more unregulated weapons to make it harder for everyone and encourage terrorism?

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-95ef Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1283

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Karen Boehler

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

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PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-evkk Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1284

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: M Hewitt

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Do not cave in to gun advocates. Stop the nonsensical proliferation of weapons!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-7cfs Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1285

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nancy Loftin

General Comment

SO JUST WHO ARE YOU WORKING FOR THE PEOPLE OF AMERICA OR THE GREEDY NRA
A KNOWN DOMESTIC TERRORIST GROUP WHO CONTINUES TO BRIBE OFFICIALS!!!!
PROVE THAT YOU ACTUALLY HAVE ETHICS, MORALS AND SCRUPLES AND STOP THE
SALES OF THE MACHINES OF WAR, DEATH AND DESTRUCTION!!!!!!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-7kuf Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1286

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sally Archibald

General Comment

I am submitting this comment in strong opposition to the proposed rule to transfer oversight of small arms (firearms) exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. This rule would make U.S. exports of small arms far more dangerous by transferring controls to an agency that prioritizes doing business over safeguarding national security. The rules elimination of congressional oversight of commercial weapons sales of \$1 million or more is also reckless. This rule has one purpose only: to garner profits for a U.S. gun industry that is faring poorly in the domestic market. It comes after years of lobbying by the NRA and National Shooting Sports Foundation. No one elsed asked for it or wanted it. The NSSF, the trade group for the gun industry, has already boasted the rule would lead to a 20% increase in American gun exports. We see the gun lobbys influence in the rules description of semiautomatic assault rifles like the AR-15 as civilian products. These weapons were not designed for household use, they were designed to kill en masse on the battlefield. That is why they are the weapons of choice for mass shooters. If you go forward with this disastrous policy, I will do everything in my powerpeacefully and democraticallyto hold your leadership accountable for the resulting global bloodshed. That will include advocating against your budget priorities across-the-board until a new, non-corrupt administration can come in and clean house.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-ytt0 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1287

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jno Hunt

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-vwft Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1288

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: A Davis

General Comment

I absolutely 100% oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-y7rv Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1289

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nancy Hess

General Comment

I oppose changing gun trafficking from the State Department to the Commerce Department

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-8qps Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1290

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I support having the State Department continued control of weapons accountability to foriegn countries.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-ghcj Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1291

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Bruce Spring

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-fha9 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1292

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Meredith Dodson

General Comment

As a parent and taxpayer, I strongly oppose switching the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-8472 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1293

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Tracy Burroughs

General Comment

I am completely opposed to moving control of firearms sake from the Department of State to the Commerce Department. Supplying arms as a purely financial move is to place all decisions in the position of being about making money instead of where it belongs - as a national security risk. This is a terrible idea!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-o7pg Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1294

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Esther Allman

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

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PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-grne Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1295

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Felicia Bruce

General Comment

Switching firearms sales from DOS to Commerce is a bad idea . It compromises our national security! Of course the DOS should be aware of gun sales! Selling arms is an act of military concern, not trade! Gangs, terrorists and other nefarious organizations profit from the sale of firearms. To treat it as trade is absurd.

Clearly I oppose this change as any patriot should.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-aifs Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1296

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sandy Irving

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This will hurt our national security.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-42hd Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1297

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Amy Holt

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-9h11 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1298

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Beverly Conway

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less! I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-3qbu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1299

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I had been under the impression that this administration was against foreign terrorists and foreign criminals who could hurt American citizens. Deregulating weapons sales to foreign buyers makes America less safe.

Part of the mess in Afghanistan was because they had weapons we sold them when we were trying to take out the USSR. Then voila, Taliban!

Because we have legal gun ownership in this country, we have a very active market for guns and American-made weaponry is very high quality. Do we really want it to be easy for those weapons to get in the hands of the next Osama bin Laden?

Oh, I see. Obama killed bin Laden, therefore bin Laden must not have been that bad, and we should encourage more terrorists to continue erasing Obama's legacy. Because MAGA means Make America Vulnerable Again, right?

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942y-pqtq Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1300

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

Thank you for taking action to help make our country and our world a safer place.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-m0v7 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1301

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Marjorie Girth

General Comment

I oppose this proposed rule, which would change the management of this program from the Department of State to the Department of Commerce.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-2lfx Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1302

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Charity Perry

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-g5d5 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1303

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Keith Kinder

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-l0ah Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1304

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Ron Kardos

General Comment

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Thank you for taking action to help make our country and our world a safer place.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-sw0a Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1305

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Carolyn Dipboye

General Comment

I am extremely. extremely opposed to moving oversight of export of weapons from the State Department to the Commerce Department. Given the situation in our own country and the situation in Mexico and Central American countries due to lax regulation on firearms in our country, this is exactly the wrong move in that it would enable the acceleration of gun violence. I strongly urge you to resist this move. We are at a time when more effective regulation on firearms is critical. We are not at a point where making more money on guns could possibly be beneficial to anyone other than the manufacturers. Please resist this change!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-uxfm Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1306

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Denis Graves

General Comment

Changing the oversight of gun sales from the State Deaprtment to the Commerce Department is a very bad idea. It will mean more guns available to potential terrorists etc.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-1jc2 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1307

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Kevin O'Donnell

Organization: MomsRising.org

Government Agency Type: Federal

Government Agency: USCIS

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-rkoa Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1308

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Rebecca Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less! Do not let the NRA run OUR government for gun manufacturers profit.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-sszq Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1309

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: LeeAnn Chastain

General Comment

I adamantly oppose switching the regulation and exportation of gun sales from the US Department of State to the Department of Commerce. Arming the world with even more guns will only result in greater societal disasters as the criminal elements become even more powerful and use these weapons to control the law-abiding populations of the world.

We would be exporting the means for mass shootings and daily carnage that we have in this country, merely so the NRA could become more powerful and gun manufacturers could reap more profit.

We must not make this change, for our protection here in the United States and for the good of the world.

Please oppose this change and carefully regulate any exportation of guns and ammunition.

Thank you.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-df93 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1310

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Michael Miller

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-242a Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1311

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Louise Backer

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place because:

1. It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
2. It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
3. It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms and enable 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

We dont need more guns in the world or in the United States. We need more oversight to make sure the wrong people dont obtain guns and ammunition.

Why are we helping the US gun industry [NRA] with this proposed change? They should not be the ones to benefit at the incredible expense of innocent peoples safety.

This is morally wrong and unethical. Please do not make the rule change. Do not be beholden to the NRA and the gun industry just because they want to fill their pockets with the profits from the sales. Think of the innocent people who would be impacted adversely.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1312

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Beryl Filton

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

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It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-p27f Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1313

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Jessica Roeder

General Comment

I oppose moving the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. Doing so would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents such as organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. This change is not in the best interest of our people, or anyone's people.

One detail about the change: the removal of the ban on the 3D-printing of firearms is simply not acceptable.

Please reject this change.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-mpws Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1314

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Barbara Miller

General Comment

This rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-1ato Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1315

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Vic Burton

General Comment

Please consider these points and not approve this rule change:

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-l9jy Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1316

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Liz Bornstein

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-jp7y Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1317

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Tennie Caldwell

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the US State Department to the US Department of Commerce. Firearm exports are classified as military which is why they are under the regulation of the US State Department so Congress can block large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change Congress would no longer be automatically notified about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, especially to countries like the Philippines, Turkey, Syria, among others.

The Commerce Department does NOT have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry does not have staff everywhere which means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles in order to obtain large quantities of American guns and ammunition.

Changing this rule would be a very dangerous and irresponsible change to make with regards to weapons!

Sincerely,

Tenne L Caldwell

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-q2rn Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1318

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-ve9n Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1319

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mary Beach

General Comment

I am opposed to changing the oversight of international weapon sales from the State Department to the Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-5nwf Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1320

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Alisa Schlacht

General Comment

I am writing to implore you to prevent the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The United States should be a beacon of light for freedom and justice in the world, not a global supplier of weapons to increase brutality and human suffering. The U.S. Commerce Department should not be responsible for spreading murderous weapons around the world, which will undoubtedly end up being used cruelly against innocent people and likely against Americans as well.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-u367 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1321

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Debra A.

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-fxej Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1322

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anna Rincon

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-qs8p Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1323

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Rebecca Zimmerman

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-nsda Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1324

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Virginia Smedberg

General Comment

I am writing to object to switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. This switch would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-476r Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1325

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Frederica Huxley

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-u4pt Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1326

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mark Creighton

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-6vym Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1327

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Stephen Grove

General Comment

I strongly oppose the proposal to switch gun sales from the state department to the commerce department. Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-2m0f Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1328

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: John J Paulhus

General Comment

Foolish to change the regulation of firearms exports to Commerce. Don't do it.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-fp92 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1329

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Mark Weltner

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-zsgq Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1330

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Terrie Stengel

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

- It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
- It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
- It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-lurk Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1331

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-1g0j Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1332

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

This would make the world a far more dangerous place:

- 1.It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]
- 2.It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]
- 3.It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

Thanks much.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-m2ah Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1333

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

Our family (from Ohio) opposes the proposed rule change to transfer firearms export regulations from the State Department to the Commerce Department. This is unnecessary government fiddling, and dangerous for America. Being driven by business interests (including the NRA and those who profit from arms sales), there is no reason for doing this that would be in the interest of the US or our security -- both national and international. The Commerce Department is ill-equipped to handle arms exports, making the US vulnerable to traffickers, criminals, and terrorists, and poorly or unregulated arms exportation could also lead to instability elsewhere, eventually building negative backlash for our country. (We already see the mass-migration problems formed partly from some of our foreign policies which now we can learn from or anticipate -- this is such a case.) There is simply no reason to make this change (except for profit for a small cadre of people), and many, many reasons not to do so that (which benefit the entire country). In sum, this is reckless and unnecessary, and it would create cost to American taxpayers for infrastructure changes that would be profligate and irresponsible.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-xrlv Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1334

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Judy Landress

General Comment

I strongly Oppose a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-h88n Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1335

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-vz25 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1336

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Priscilla Drake

General Comment

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-yj4i Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1337

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Laurie Azzoto

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Guns don;t belong in the hands of just anyone.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-ahup Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1338

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Margaret Schulenberg

General Comment

Moving the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-kh4g Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1339

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Diana Cumming

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulation of firearms exports from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

The rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-yxoo Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1340

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Laverne Marks

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-bi48 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1341

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Marie Snavelly

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-dpvw Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1342

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lorraine Anonymous

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Please, do not make it easier for guns to be put into the hands of those who may want to do harm to any people.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-49jg Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1343

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Linda Logue

General Comment

I oppose the proposed rule change moving the regulation of gun exports from the Dept of State to The Dept of Commerce. This is an issue directly affecting the safety of our country. The mechanism for this regulation needs to remain under the State Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-nrau Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1344

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nancy Kraus

General Comment

Keep dangerous assault weapons regulations where they are currently and rightfully placed, in the State Department. A rule change will increase drug trafficking!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-nip9 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1345

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Denise Kline

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. The U.S. State Department must remain focused on safeguarding our nation while the U.S. Commerce Department should continue promoting American business. This proposed rule change will have profound impact on our national security as well as the security of nations around the world as new avenues are opened for the worldwide sale of arms. We must work to make our nation and the world safer. This proposed rule will only increase danger here and around the world.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-twru Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1346

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Carol Kussart

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would move the regulation of the export of firearms from the State Department to the Commerce Department. These weapons are military weapons and should remain that way. This move would eliminate the State Department's inspection program and public reporting. It would also remove licensing requirements for brokers which would very likely cause more trafficking, and it would remove the State Department's block on 3D printing of firearms. Congress would also have no oversight ability under this move. Therefore, the world would be less safe. I see this rule change as benefiting gun manufacturers only--there is no other benefit to this change. Keep the regulations where they belong--with the State Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-2aif Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1347

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Barbara Isom

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Thank you

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-4lv1 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1348

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Juanita Payton

General Comment

I oppose the proposed the rule change to move International Traffic in Arms Regulations, from U. S. Department of State to the Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-79zu Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1349

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Carol Painter

General Comment

Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-yr5m Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1350

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Susan Yost

General Comment

I strongly oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-o414 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1351

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Laurel Brennan

General Comment

I am opposed to switching the safeguarding of firearms exports from the state department to the commerce department. Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-wm3u Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1352

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lisa Hersh-Heskes

General Comment

I oppose switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. It would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-9bdh Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1353

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Dwan Dorman

General Comment

I oppose the rule change to switch regulations of international arms sales from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This would be dangerous on many levels.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018
Tracking No. 1k2-942z-km89
Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1354

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Michele Biggane

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-glua Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1355

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Margaret Baum

General Comment

I oppose the proposed rule change that would declassify firearms as military and move the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Firearms are weapons, no matter how much organizations may want to call guns sport accessories , and are used to kill people. Moving the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would make firearms exports to dangerous and autocratic regimes easier, remove safeguards that help keep agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from getting weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration. Firearms and weapons exports need more controls and export licensing requirements, not less. Government should not sell out to dangerous business interests that work against public safety interests. I Oppose this proposal.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-jhuf Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1356

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: DEANNA RICHARDSON

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-gul4 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1357

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Aaron Sterr

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-wkoi Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1358

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Chris Kermiet

General Comment

Moving the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other firearms from the U.S. State Department (to the U.S. Commerce Department is a truly dumb idea. Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.

This appers to be a move by the gun manufacturers to sell more guns with less oversight. I'm strongly opposed to this.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018
Tracking No. 1k2-942z-dm2m
Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1359

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Stephanie Johnston

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This is a dangerous move that would put people who are focused on profits rather than public safety in charge of regulating massively lethal weapons. American arms could (and most likely would) end up in the hands of terrorists, oppressive governments, drug and firearms traffickers, and other organized criminals, undermining national security and global stability. Please dont let this happen.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-qs3t Comments Due: July 09, 2018
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Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1360

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Grady Warren

General Comment

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business).[1] This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey.[3]

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-t5n4 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1361

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Alice Donisi-Feehan

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-0a6h Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1362

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Victor Sytzko

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-2ha6 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1363

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Susan Kute

General Comment

Please keep the strongest regulations on gun sales to all countries.
Firearms are dangerous. They are used to kill people every day around the world in acts of organized crime, political violence, terrorism, and human rights violations. They should be subject to more controls, not less!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-dsrt Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1364

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Frances Lorie

General Comment

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

I oppose the rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Tracking No. 1k2-942z-k9e6
Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1365

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Alexandra Pappano

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

The bottom line is that switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.[4]

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.[5]

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.[6]

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.[7]

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-xwf9 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1366

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Nancy L Cowger

General Comment

The US of A already sells and permits the sale of far too many weapons without the wholesale marketing opened by allowing the Commerce Department to 'regulate' the trafficking of arms. The very idea is ludicrous!

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-3j2e Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1367

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Julia Bumbaugh-Shah

General Comment

Right now, firearms exports are classified as military. These exports should stay under the regulation of the State Department, so that Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries with serious human rights concerns and be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security.

The Commerce Department does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. Firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-ik6i Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1368

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Katy Reddick

General Comment

I oppose any change of regulations that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department (focused on safeguarding our nation) to the U.S. Commerce Department (focused on promoting American business).[1] This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security. These are military grade weapons and must be regulated as such.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-bp9a Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1369

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Stephen Weissman

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

Having such exports under the Commerce Department would remove many of the controls which limit massive firearms sales overseas. It would allow 3-D printers to export patterns for firearms.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-942z-ese3 Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1370

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Debra whalen

General Comment

firearms exports are classified as military. This is why they are under the regulation of the State Department, and why Congress can block sales of large batches of firearms to foreign countries.

[2] With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security. This is a dangerous precedence if the rule changes.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-9430-j8rx Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1371

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: F Corr

General Comment

I believe the State Department should retain regulatory control over the export of munitions. Shifting these munitions sales to Commerce Department oversight will result in these weapons getting into the hands of terrorists.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-9430-cwat Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1372

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Karen Kaufmann

General Comment

I oppose any rule that shifts regulation of munitions exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department. This is a measure that jeopardizes national security for the benefit of munitions manufacturers. There is no reason to do so, other than greed.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-9430-6qtn Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1373

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Linda Scott

General Comment

Please do the right thing regarding guns for the safety of people everywhere. Keep control of the NRA and DO NOT move them to the Department of Commerce.

Thank you,
Linda Scott

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-9430-405k Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1374

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: GEORGE RODGERS

General Comment

As a global health physician, I can tell you that the rest of the world does NOT need more guns. This move seems to be a rather transparent attempt to increase the export of our huge national problem - too many guns.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-9430-chdm Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

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Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1375

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Caren Flashner

General Comment

I oppose the rule change that would switch firearms export regulation from the State Department to the Commerce Department. I believe the State Department has more interest in the safety of American citizens than does the Commerce Department, which of course wants to aid businesses in selling as many guns as possible, regardless of to whom.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-9430-spja Comments Due: July 09, 2018

Docket: DOS-2017-0046

Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Revision of U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Comment On: DOS-2017-0046-0001

International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1376

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Tamara Prince

General Comment

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. With the rule change, Congress would no longer be automatically informed about sizable weapons sales that it could stop in the name of national security, even to countries where there are serious human rights concerns, such as the Philippines and Turkey

The Commerce Department just does not have the resources to adequately enforce export controls. Its Bureau of Industry and Security does not have staff everywhere. This means that firearms traffickers, organized crime, terrorist organizations, and other violent and dangerous agents would face far fewer hurdles to obtaining large caches of American guns and ammunition.

Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

Changing oversight and regulation of firearms would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

This is a dangerous move.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

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Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: George Chernetz

General Comment

The NRA is going to push more filthy guns into the hands of people who should not own guns. The NRA is the supplier of domestic terrorism and mentally unstable killers. This epidemic has got to be stopped now.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Sharon Teagardin

General Comment

The American people have made it clear that we are opposed to guns, particularly semi-automatics. Do your job and listen to the will of the people.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Elizabeth Meister

General Comment

I oppose the proposal to switch regulation of exporting firearms from the State Department to the Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Anonymous Anonymous

General Comment

Changing the rule regarding arms regulations is the wrong thing to do. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.

It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.

It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Document: DOS-2017-0046-1381

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Lorna Wood

General Comment

I oppose this rule change. Moving handling of export licenses for powerful firearms from the State Department to the Commerce Department seems likely to promote arms dealing with few if any limits, which will put our national security and our relationship with our allies at risk. Switching the regulation of firearms exports from the State Department to the Commerce Department would facilitate firearms exports to oppressive regimes, remove safeguards that help keep extra-legal agents like organized crime and terrorist organizations from obtaining weapons, and further fuel violence that destabilizes countries and causes mass migration.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Susan Chandler

General Comment

We already have endured many instances in which our firearms were used by foreign nationals to kill our troops. We have also witnessed our firearms being used by terrorists, drug traffickers and extremist regimes to take innocent lives.

Although they haven't done a stellar job of safeguarding our soldiers or civilian populations, the Department of State must maintain control of international firearms sales, and foreign firearms sales must remain classified as "military" ... the Department of Commerce has no resources to even begin to measure the monumental risks involved in weapons export.

No matter how many people support this change, it must not be made.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

As of: November 29, 2018 Tracking No. 1k2-9430-v7lk Comments Due: July 09, 2018

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1383

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Matthew Genaze

General Comment

The NRA and gun manufacturers want guns everywhere, for everyone, not just here in the United States, but around the world. They are pushing hard for a rule change that would move the handling of export licenses of semiautomatic assault weapons and other powerful firearms from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department. This transfer of authority would open new floodgates for arms sales internationally, with serious implications for our national security.

Here are more details on how the rule change would make the world a far more dangerous place:

- It would eliminate the State Departments Blue Lantern program, in place since 1940, which carries out hundreds of pre-license and post-shipment inspections and publicly reports on them.
- It would remove licensing requirements for brokers, increasing the risk of trafficking.
- It would remove the State Departments block on the 3D printing of firearms. When Defense Distributed founder Cody Wilson posted online instructions for how to 3D print weapons, the State Department successfully charged him with violating arms export laws, since his open-source posting made it possible for anyone with access to a 3D printer, anywhere, to produce a lethal weapon. The rule switch would remove this block, effectively enabling 3D printing of firearms in the U.S. and around the globe.

Guns are an epidemic. Guns are a daily act of terrorism. Guns are a direct threat to our democracy. These facts require direct and significant action immediately. I am only able to support legislators and the parties they are members of that support aggressive gun regulation legislation.

I oppose this rule change that would switch the regulations of firearms export from the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Commerce Department.

PUBLIC SUBMISSION

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International Traffic in Arms Regulations: U.S. Munitions List Categories I, II, and III

Document: DOS-2017-0046-1384

Comment on DOS-2017-0046-0001

Submitter Information

Name: Raymond Adams

General Comment

The international sales of guns is not good for the world. It is gun trafficking plain simple. I strongly oppose such a policy.

Message

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